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5 countries join U.N. Security Council

UNITED NATIONS (AFP) — South Korea, Chili, Poland, Egypt and Guinea-Bissau were elected Wednesday to represent their respective regions at the U.N. Security Council, The election of the non-permanent incombers was carried out by secret ballon. during a plenary session of the U.N. General Assembly. The five countries will sit on the Security Council as of Jan. t and for a period of two years, up to Dec. 31, 1997. The choice of the five countries did not surprise observers who earlier said South Korea's Asian slot was assured as was Chile's South American berth. But he election saw competition for the African spot between Benin and Guinea Bissau and for the European spot between Albania and Foland. Egypt, which stepped in as a last-minute candidate in a gesture of Arah solidarily following the withdrawal of Libya, enjoyed the backing of a solid bloc in the General Assembly. The Security Council, the U.N.'s top decision-making body with a security international voice is made up of 15 members, five of powerful international voice, is made up of 15 members, five of hem permanent (Britain, China, France, Russia and the United States) with veto authority and 10 of them revolving members who must step down after serving two years.

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'No panic over U.S. embassy move'

CAIRO (AFP) — The Palestine Liberation Organisation's official for Jerusalem said Wednesday there was no need to "panie" over the U.S. Congress decision to move its Israeli embassy to the holy city," Egypt's news agency MENA reported Wednesday. "This decision is certainly a very dangerous one and we must take it seriously, "Faisal Husseini, the Palestinian minister for Jerusalem, told the press after arriving in Cairo for a two-day visit. "But we must not deal with it in a panic. While we must make clear our anger at this decision, we should also remember the U.S. administration has refused to implement it because it is damaging to peace," Mr. Husseini said. The Congress ordered the president to move the embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem by May 1999, but gave him the loophole of delaying the controversial move as long as be deems necessary. Mr. Husseini's visit came on the second day of a conference of Palestinian businessmen organised by the Arab League in Cairo on the reconstruction of the autonomy territories. Mr. Husseini said he would present a report on Jerusalem to the conference.

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AMMAN (J.T) — Forcign Minister Abdul Karim Kabariti said Wednesday the number of Iraqi diplomats in Amman has been fixed at 24 and that Jordan maintains 13 diplomats in Baghdad. The minister was replying to a Jordan Times question on a report that the Jordanian government had asked the Iraqi emhassy here to reduce the number of diplomats. The Iraqi embassy denied that it had received any such request and that the number of Iraqi diplomats in Amman was around 20. The administrative staff at the embassy are not diplomats. Mr. Kabariti did not say when the number of Iraqi diplomats in Amman was set at 24, hut, according to diplomatic sources, the number has remained constant for some

Suspects in Argentine blast surrenders

BUENOS AIRES (AFP) -A retired army sergeant suspected of involvement in the bombing of a Jewish charity that killed 86 people has surrendered to authorities for his own personal safety, court sources said Wednesday. Pedro Ricardo Fonseca turned himself in Monday to a judge in the southeastern city of Comodoro Rivadavia and was taken to Buenos Aires, where be was reported to have been questioned by the judge in charge of the bomb investigation. The government news agency Tclam said Fonseca allegedly participated in the July 18, 1994, bombing that destroyed the seven-storey huilding housing the did not the Israelite-Argentine the Israelite-Argentine Mutual Association, killing S6 people and injuring more and unreless than 300.

and most incir Arab family day to mark intifada

CAIRO (AFP) - The Arah League chose the date of the beginning of the Palestinian intifada to commemorate the "Day of the Arab Family," the league's deputy secretary for social affairs, Ahmad Kadri, said on Wednesday. The league's women's committee set Dec. 7 as the Arah Family Day before closing its 20th annual session, Mr. Kadri said. The intifada against the Israeli occupacion of the Gaza Strip and West Bank left more than 1,000 Palestinians dead between

Russia, Iran restore maritime links

TEHRAN (AFP) - Iran and Russia reopened their commercial maritime links this weck after almost a century originally looks of no such water routes across the Caspian Sea, Iraolan state radio reported Wednesday. The link was inaugurated with the arrival at Bandar-Anzali, on the Caspian Sea, of an Iranian boat from the Russian port of hen the oumber up almost 2,000 tonnes of of ehild-beant paper, the radio added. Maritime links between Russia and Island at a pear. Xib and Iran were broken off oted delegates of several Russian-Iranian that the conflicts. Under the rate was union, the two countries bad no maritime commercial links across the Caspian San

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New suspects held in Rabin murder Heads start rolling at Shin Bet; official inquiry launched

Combined agency dispatches continues

TWO NEW suspects were arrested in connection with the assassination of Israeli Prime Minister Yilzhak Rahin, police said Wednes-

day.
One of the suspects, Avishai Raviv, is the leader of the militant right-wing group Eval, the youth movement of the hanned acti-Arab group Kach, Raviv who police believe knew in advance about the plan to kill Mr. Rabin — is accused of conspiracy and failing to prevent a crime.

Wearing a blue knined skulkap, hlue T-shirt and jeans, Raviv was brought into the Tel Aviv magistrate's court Wednesday evening shouting "this is a political investigation."

Reporters were not allowed into the hearing. The name of the second suspect arrested was not released. Israel Radio said he was also a member of Eyal.

Police have been investigating whether the confessed killer, Yigal Amir, was part of a right-wing conspiracy. Police said they were also checking whether Amir's hrother Hagai, 27, was a member of another Kach offshoot, the Kahane Chai

Yigal Amir was arrested immediately after Mr. Rabin's killing on Saturday. He appeared before a magistrate Monday and he was ordered held for 15 more days while the investigation

TEL AVIV (Agencies) — The governing Labour Party

has ruled out holding carly

elections following Prime

Minister Yitzhak Rabin's

assassinatioo and wants to

move ahead on peace talks with Syria, a senior party figure said Wednesday.

An official announcement

oo the plans will be made

next week after the tradition-

al seven-day mourning period for Mr. Rabin, said Eli Day-

an, who serves as deputy

The party expects acting Prime Minister Shimon Peres

to form a government in the

allotted six weeks, which will

give him a year in power at a crucial time for negotiating

peace with the Arabs before

the elections scheduled next

Mr. Dayan emphasised

that the government would

keep up efforts for a peace

accord with Syria, which he

believes can he achieved be-

that Syria still wants to meet

with us," he told reporters at

the foreign ministry. He also

said Mr. Peres sent word

"I heard from America

fore the next elections.

foreign minister.

Oct. 29.

Hagai Amir arrested as a suspected accomplice and was ordered held for seven

> The top Shin Bet secret service official in charge of protecting the prime minister meanwhile resigned over security lapses.

> Israel's government on Wednesday ordered a fullscale investigation into the assassination.

Mr. Rabin's successor, Shimon Peres, told cahinet ministers the government must get tough with Jewish extremists. 'We must not hesitate to

use all the means at our disposal against people in-dulging in incitement, the instigators and those who pull the trigger," Mr. Peres said, Referring to police reports that he had also been targetted by Mr. Rahin's assassin. Mr. Peres suggested he would not change his daily routine: "I prefer to be killed

rather than to be afraid." As a sign of a more security-conscious era in the wake of Mr. Rabin's death, the road outside the prime minister's office was closed off Wednesday, and reporters covering the cahinet meeting were kept 200 metres away.

Army radio said several cabinet ministers have received death threats in recent

The cabinet ordered a fullscale probe into how the slaying could have happened and why the Jewisb radical

Labour rules out early

Israeli general election

ton that Israel wants to talk to the government of Syrian

President Hafez Al Assad.

The daily Haaretz news-

paper reported that Mr.

Peres' confidants were

pushing him as well as to finish negotiations with the

Palestinians on a permaneot

solution to the decades old

conflict between the two

Under carlier peace accords with the Palestine Li-heration Organisation

(PLO), talks on the perma-

nent solution are to begin no

later than next May.

Israel has tended to pro-

ceed cautiously in the nego-

tiations — especially since the fioal status talks includes

the touchy issue of Jeru-

salem's future. But Mr.

Peres' aides reportedly feel

moving ahead quickly and

wrapping up the talks would

give an assured victory in

increasee its hold on power

now. Labour hopes to hring

into the governing coalioon

the religious parties Shas and United Torah Judaism, which

have 10 seats in the Knesset,

or parliament.

Mr. Dayan said that to

next year's elections.



Israeli female soldiers grieve at the grave of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin (AFP

ignored by law enforcement. 'Up until now, the police, the prosecution and the attorney general have not prosecuted those who committed incitement, including incitement to murder," Education Minister Amnon Ruhinstein said on Israel Radio.

Earlier this year, Attorney General Michael Ben Yair urged Mr. Rabin to take some of the tough legal steps now being considered, hut Mr. Rabin vetoed the idea because of an expected angry reaction from Jewish settlers in the occupied territories.

Under Mr. Rahin, the par-

ty had only a slim 61-seat majority in the 120-member house, Mr. Dayan said Mr.

Peres is willing to dismiss Religious Affairs Minister

Shimon Shetreet, a Labour

member who has been criti-

cised hy religious legislators, a move which also would

open the portfolio for a reli-

promised if it will be a condi-

tion," Mr. Dayan said.
"Then I think he will be the

first to say, 'you want the minister of religion? here."

step in coalioon building is

for President Ezer Weizman

to name a legislator to form a

government.
The opposition Likud Par-

ty has said it will not press to

take the task because it

would be unseemly to play

politics after the tragic killing of Mr. Rabin last Saturday.

Thus Mr. Wcizman is ex-

pected to name Mr. Peres to

form the government. If he

failed to achieve a coalition in

six weeks, Mr. Weizman would then choose another

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Under Israeli law, the first

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gious party.

movement was largely lar calls for the assassination of both Mr. Rahin and Mr. Peres were ignored as the rantings of a few people on the fringe of the settler move-

> Now, according to the Yediot Ahronot daily newspaper, Mr. Ben Yair is consulting with legal experts to see whether he can use such tactics as detaining Jews without charges, trying them in military courts, taking away their guns and limiting their movements.

"If anyone possesses a weapon with the intention of usiog it illegally, the weapon must be taken from him,"

Mr. Peres said. "If there are such agitators — go ahead and prosecute them." Mr. Ben-Yair said meanwhile he feared another poli-

There is a serious danger of a grave disruption of the rule of order — up to the point of another political murder," Mr. Ben-Yair told Haaretz newspaper in an in-

tical murder.

"Some people say this incident might bring an awakening, but they very well may. he speaking from their hearts' desire. I am oot convinced there is a solid basis to the thought this will bring an

awakening and I don't tend to agree with that analysis, he

"In fact I tend to consider the opposite possibility: This murder can bring someone with the same views as the assassin to carry out another political murder, just as one suicide affects people with a certain kind of personality," Mr. Ben-Yair said.

Police also have begun rounding up Jewish radicals, especially followers of the slain American Rahhi Meir Kahane. Police are invesogating whether Amir, the confessed assassin, had links to Kahane Chai, an outlawed group adhering to Kahane's anti-Arah teachings.

The police serious crimes unit also is reportedly looking for several rabbis suspected of writing leaflets saying Mr. Rahin's murder was sanctioned under Jewish law. The leaflets were distributed in On Wednesday, police de-

tained a rabbi from southern Israel and accused him of praising the assassination of Mr. Rahin. His name was not released. The radicals seemed un-

daunted by the threat of arrest, however.

Army radio said several cabinet ministes have gotten death threats in past few

Noam Federman, spokesman for the Kach movement founded by Kahane, sug-gested that Mr. Peres should

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Rifkind: Assad seeking quick moves with Israel

DAMASCUS (Agencies) — British Foreign Secretary Malcom Rifkind said after talks with Syrian President Hafcz Al Assad in Damascus on Wednesday that the Syrian leader wanted to see a quick hreakthrough in peace

talks with Israel. "Earlier today when I saw President Assad he emphasised Syria's great desire to see a successful completion of peace negotiations (with Israel) and that they could be achieved very quickly," Mr. Rifkind told a news confer-

Syrian Forcign Minister Farouk Al Sharaa, speaking at the same news conference, said that quickeoing the peace process was the only positive reply to the assassination of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

"We believe that quicken-ing the peace process is the positive reply which will spare the region more acts of violence and tension," Mr.

After his Damascus talks, Mr. Rifkind flew to Tel Aviv en route to Gaza and called off a visit to Jerusalem.

Israeli officials and his British secretary emhassy said.

Mr. Rifkind, on the third leg of a regional tour after Syria and Saudi Arabia, flew in to Ben Gurion airport near Tel Aviv.

"As regards this visit to Israel, it's been cancelled. Mr. Rifkind is just passing through," on his way for talks with Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat in Gaza, said foreign ministry spokesman Danoy Shek.

His planned trip to Jerusalem on Thursday for a meeting with acting Prime Minister Shimon Peres and to visit the Orient House, where the PLO has its headquarters for the city, was called off, the British embassy said. Mr. Peres and Mr. Rif-

kind, who was to spend the night in Tcl Aviv, would now talk on the telephone instead 'for purely logistical reasons. The change in paln saved

Mr. Rifkind a decision on whether to go ahead with the Orient House call. Isracl, which claims the

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due here today

secretary of state for foreign and commonweiath affairs, arrives here today evening.

Following his hrief stop in Amman, Mr. Rifkind will go

AMMAN (J.T) — Mr. Malcolm Rifkind, Britain's

The main purpose of this Middle East trip is to indicate the unreserved support that the United Kingdom gives to the peace process, a British cmbassy statement said. Mr. Rifkind was in Israel

for the funeral of the late Prime Mioister Yitzhak Rabin. He then visited Saudi Arabia, Damascus, Gaza and the occupied territories. In Amman he is expected

to hold talks with His Majesty the King, Prime Minister Sharif Zeid Ben Shaker, and Foreign Minister Abdul Karim Kabariti.

on 10 Cairo and then Beirut. It is Mr. Rifkind's first visitto the region as foreign secretary. As defence secretary he visited Israel and Jordan in October 1994, and Saudi Arabia in January

back with President Bill Clin-U.N. Security Council to retain Iraq sanctions

UNITED NATIONS (Agencies) - The U.N. Security Council planned to maintain sanctions against Iraq on Wednesday, prohibiting Baghdad from selliog its oil on world markets, diplomats and U.N. officials said.

The council meets every two months to decide whether Iraq has met conditions put forward in various post-Gulf war resolutions that forbid it from developing threatening weapons and demand that it disclose all information on past and present weapons programmes to the United Nations.

Recent reports by the U.N. Special Commission (UN-SCOM) investigating Iraqi compliance and the International Atomie Energy Agency (IAEA), which have said Baghdad lied about its biological, chemical and nuclear weapons in the past, make the lifting of sanctions im-

A diplomat on the cooncil called Wednesday's meeting a "basic rollover" of sanc-

The director of UNSCOM, Rolf Ekeus, told the Security Council on Tuesday that Iraq had handed over oew information to investigators within the last few days, but that it would take a long time to verify whether Baghdad was telling the truth.

He also told the council, in response a U.S. representative's question, that UN-SCOM and the IAEA were looking into whether Iraq had tried to develop radiological weapons, meaning missiles that distribute radioactive particles to kill populations through radiatioo sickness rather than a nuclear

European diplomats aceused the United States of raising the issue and hlowing

it out of proportion for political reasons, saying UN-SCOM had other priorities iocluding determining the ex-tent of Iraq's deadly nerve gas weapons and missile tech-

nology.
"There are indications they were doing something" in the past, but whether it was an "on-paper exercise or actual" production remains unclear, UNSCOM spokesman Ewen Buchanan said.

"It's early days yet, that's the problem... (and) it's too early to make any kind of judgement about what they're doing," he said. In Geneva, United Nations

Secretary General Boutros Ghali was to meet a top Iraqi official to pursue efforts to persuade Baghdad to agree to limited oil sales, a U.N. spokeswoman indicated.

The spokeswoman, Therese Gastaut, told reporters the meeting with Barazan Al Tik-

riti, Iraq's ambassador to the U.N.'s European beadquarters, was at Dr. Ghali's request, but she declined to say if he bad a new message for Baghdad. The meeting was "concern-

ing resolutions of the (U.N.) Security Council and specifi-cally Resolution 986," she That resolution, until now rejected by the administra-

tion of President Saddam Husseio, would allow Baghdad to sell \$2 billion worth of oil over six months under strict U.N. supervision to buy humanitarian supplies for his

Iraq has been under a wide-ranging U.N. embargo since it seized Kuwait in August 1990, although it was forced to withdraw by a United States-led coalition in the Gulf war of early 1991.

U.N.and independent relicf agency officials say the embargo is leading to widespread suffering and death from malnutrition and disease among the Iraqi popula-tion, especially old people and children.

Diplomats said the Ghali-Barazan encounter appeared to be simply the latest in ongoing discussions between the U.N. and the Iraqis on the issue and did not immediately suggest any change of position on sales by Bagh-

But it follows remarks by a well-placed U.N. official in Geneva early last month that bints had emerged on the fringes of the U.N. General Assembly in New York that Iraq might be moving towards a deal.

Senior diplomats in New York and Iraqi representatives played down the official's suggesoons at the time.

Asked if the U.N. chief would be pushing for Iraqi acceptance of the resolution at Wedoesday's meeting at Geneva's Palais des Nations, she replied, "pushing is something that is not diplomatic.

"Certainly it is part of the mandate of the secretarygeneral to facilitate speedy implementation of resolutions of the Security Coun-

Last month senior diplomats in Baghdad said they sew no sign Iraq was ready to accept the resolution, which it says would violate its sovereignty.

A \$2 billion oil sale would release about 730,000 barrels per day (bpd) of Iraqi crude Onto the world market over a six-month period, almost equivalent to the output of a small oil producer like Alger-

Pullback schedule will be kept, Peres informs Arafat

GAZA CITY (Agencies) — New Israeli leader Shimon Peres assured Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat on Wednesday that he will keep to the timetable set for an Israeli pullback on the West Bank, Palestinian officials

The assurance came during a telephone conversacion between the two men on Wednesday, said Mr. Arafat's advisor Nahil Ahu

Rudcina. "They talked about how to apply the redeployment. Peres said the dates of the pullback will be respected and that the timetable will be applied as agreed," under the Sept. 28 autocomy accords,

Mr. Abu Rudeina said. The pullback was briefly halted following the assassination of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabio on Saturday, but was restarted on Tues-

Troops began pulling hack on Oct. 25 from Jenin in the north, and the withdrawal is due to be complete by the end of December.

Under the accord, soldiers are due to quit five other Palestinian towns, but v stay in Hebron as part of special arrangements to pro-tect the 400 settlers living there among 120,000 Palesti-

The Palestinian National Authority (PNA) took over West Bank post offices from Israeli control at a joint cere-

"Today we are in control of 40 post offices in the West Bank, employing 180 peo-ple," said Bahjat Al Khalidi, director general of the authority's Post and Communications Ministry.

He said that Palestinians, who have already issued their owo stamps io self-ruled Gaza, would be ahle to send international letters through Jordan and Egypt. Telephone lines and other

services will be transferred, on a town-hy-town hasis. Mr. Khalidi told reporters at Bet El, north of Ramallah, that the postal service handover had been delayed for more than a month because the computer software needed was Hehrew instead of Arabic.

Meanwhile, in Ramallah on the West Bank a European Union team began setting up offices ahead of the arrival Thursday of the first 66 observers to supervise the elections. The 66 observers were due

to arrive Thursday in Tel Aviv on "a multitude of planes from all over the European Union," said European Union press officer Ian Blackley.

Among the first to arrive will be Karl Lidbom, former Swedish justice minister, who is leading the team.

They will be shuttled to Ramailah on the West Bank where the headquarters will be, and the first staff were Wednesday sortiog out offices, tables, chairs as well as installing telephone lines and faxes.

Over the weekend the 66 will be given training and a briefing, before starting their task of supervising in the drawing up a Palestinian electoral roll, Mr. Blackley said.

Palestinians will start drawing up the voters list on Nov. 12 supervised by the EU observers, he added.

transport and they will be deployed in various areas (Continued from page 7)

"They will have their own

from a tradition

The Khartoum govern-

ment has given few details of

the fighting in the south but

the armed forces spokesman, Major-General Mohammad

Abdul Kader, said the army

had killed hundreds of

attacking troops.

The security situation in

the operations zone was satis-

factory as the armed forces

had the upper hand, he

added. The fighting is in

Eastern Equatoria, close to

Sudan's borders with Uganda

"The armed forces have

inflicted heavy casualties and

losses on the invading forces,

which has affected their

morale and made them circu-

late false information to the

effect that their forces are

approaching Juba and are ab-

out to occupy it," he said.

Before the offensive the

SPLA, which says it is fight-

ing domination by the Arab

and Muslim north of Sudan.

was about 50 kilometres from

Juba, the biggest town in the

The army spokesman said Torit, 120 kilometres south-

east of Juba, was the only

town in the area of opera-

tions and other settlements

there were just small villages.

had driven the attacking

forces back, especially in the

He repeated the allegation

that Ugandan troops were

taking part and said the army

could not rule out the pre-

sence of troops from other

countries because Uganda

alone could not carry out

the work of the SPLA.

The diplomats and aid offi-

cials in Nairobi said the esti-

mated 2,000 rebels in the

offensive force had almost

cut off up to 10,000 Sudanese

government soldiers before

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Meretz Party. "We're not

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women pilots in the air force

In the ruling, the judges said the air force must treat

all candidates equally and

must give Ms. Miller a test to

see if she is fit to be a pilot. If

she passes, she must be

allowed to join the training

course, the three judges said.

The two dissenters said the

air force does not have the

facilities to accommodate

The air force chief, Major

General Herzl Bodinger, had

barred women from the pilots

course on grounds that

women did not serve long

enough in the military to

justify the investment and

that motherhood could end

service prematurely or make

it difficult to maintain the

necessary level of fitness.

Training pilots is one of the

longest and most expensive

courses in the military.

women.

places," a diplomat said.

Khartoum is in shock. For

to the north.

Israeli court allows woman

to train as air force pilot

open its pilots' training in the future."

such an offensive.

Ashwa area.

He said the armed forces

and Kenya.

Sudanese President Omar Hassan Al Bashir has called for mass mobilisation against southern rebels allegedly supported by foreign armies.

Lieutenani-General Bashir made the appeal at a rally on Tuesday in the province of Hasaheisa, about 130 kilometres southeast of Khartoum, state television said on

The rebel Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA) has izunched its first offensive in four years, capturing nine towns and villages since Oct. 25, and in retaliation government warplanes have bombeo a southern town, diplomats and aid officials in Nairobi said on Monday.

The Sudanese government says large numbers of Ugandan and Tanzanian troops are taking pan in the offensive but the diplomats said this was unlikely. Uganda might be giving the SPLA some logistical support, they

Gen. Bashir again blamed foreigners for the latest fight-

"He stressed Sudan would not be cowed by conspiracies being hatched by states of international arrogance and which are imposing their will upon some neighbouring client states to use them as tools to implement those consoiracies," state radio said.

"(Bashir) called on all the sectors of the people and youth immediately to head for the popular defence camps and to enlist in the iihad battalion in order to protect the faith and the country and its territory," the radio added.

The phrasing of the report seemed to imply enlistment was voluntary but the state media described it as "a declaration of general mobilisa-

In the past two weeks the government bas made several appeals for new recruits and government newspapers say there has been an enthusiastic response, with thousands of young men turning up at recruitment offices.

The recruits become members of the Popular Defence Force, a paramilitary organisation set up months after Gen. Bashir seized power in 1989 to help the army crush

TEL AVIV (AP) — In a

landmark decision, Israel's

supreme court ruled Wednes-

courses to women.

in the air force.

day that the air force must

The judges ruled 3-2 for Alice Miller. a 23-year-old

former aeronautics student

who now holds an office job

Ms. Miller was joyous

Wednesday, but also express-

ed concern about being the

first to break into one of

"I feel great tension and

Israel's all-male bastions.

now hard struggle begins,"

Ms. Miller told reporters af-

ter the ruling. "It's difficult to

be one woman among men.

especially because of the feel-

ings men express about the

Women's activists praised the ruling as a breakthrough

for (sraeli women. "We have

removed a real obstacle of

discrimination against women," said Naomi Hazan,

a legislator of the left-wing

46 Mauritanians charged with spying for Baghdad

- Forty-six Mauritanian members of groups sympathetic to Bagbdad's ruling Baath party were charged Tuesday with spying for a foreign power, justice officials said

Sixteen other people detained in the reported smashing of an Iraqi spy ring were released during the day, and the future of ten soldiers. including officers, arrested in the swoop last month was still uncertain.

The wave of arrests began Oct. 23, when Mauritania's Interior Minister Mohammad Ould Dah accused the Iraqi regime of maintaining "a sec-ret network (to provide) precise information on strategic positions of the Mauritanian

Senior officials in the presidency and the Mauritanian according to Mr. Ould Dah. and the discovery of the ring triggered the expulsion of trag's ambassador to Mauritanía, Anwar Molad Bayan. Iraq has denied the

charges Mauritania "bas been handsomely paid by those who want to destroy the rela-nons between Arab states

NOUAKCHOTT (Agencies) and harm the reputation of Iraq." an Iraqi spokesman

Mauritania's crackdown on activists suspected of spying for former ally fraq is the latest indication of the gov-Israel's prime minister. emment's desire to move doser to the Western camp, analysts said here Wednes-

Íraqi-Mauritanian relations reached a peak six years ago when Iraq backed a Mauritanian conflict against neighbouring Senegal.

But since then, Mauritanian President Maaouya Ould Taya has become increasingly irritated by the activities of Iraqi diplomats on his territory, preferring to ally his country more with moderate Arab states and even Western powers.

Mauritania has been in-

cluded in the upcoming con-ference in Barcelona of European and Mediterranean powers, and has been praised as a "good pupil" by the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

Traditionally opposed to Israel, Mauritania nevertheless sent its foreign minister to Monday's funeral of assas-sinated Premier Yitzhak

U.S. representatives extend Palestinian aid

WASHINGTON (AFP) -The House of Representatives voted Tuesday to continue financial aid to the Palestinians after a congressman dropped his opposition, citing the assassination of

The vote to temporarily renew the Middle East Peace Facilitation Act (MEPFA), which allows for about \$500 million in aid over five years to Palestinian selfgovernment authorities, also would give the Palestine Liberation Organisation Authority to legally maintain an office here.

That authority expired after Congress failed to renew the facilitation act last week. The State Department then announced it would shut the office down, a move that sparked protests from Palestinian groups.

The new measure, passed in the House Tuesday evening on a non-controversial "voice" vote, will now have to be reconciled with a similar version that passed the Senate last week, House and Senate aides said.

Under the House version, the Palestinian self-governing authority could receive aid and legally operate an office here - through Dec. 31. The Senate version would expire a month earlier, on Dec. 1.

The bill was earlier expected to run into trouble in House, where New York Republican Michael Forbes. backed by a key congressional leader, vowed to fight the measure because of his opposition to the PLO.

But following the assassination of fsrack Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin in Tel Aviv Saturday, Mr. Forbes agreed to wage his battle "at a more appropriate

It is unclear exactly how the House version will play out in the Senate, where the proposal to renew the facilitation act, for unrelated reasons, got torpedoed in the first place.

The act suddenly expired last week due to a squabble between the White House and Republican Senator Jesse Helms, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Mr. Helms blocked a re-

newal of the act because Democrats refused to grant concessions on his plan to reorganise the State Department - a plan the White House vigorously opposes.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Israel told Arafat to stay away from Rabin funeral

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (AP) — Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat wanted to attend the funeral of Yitzhak Rabin, "my friend and my partner," but Israel-asked himto stay away for security reasons, Mr. Arafat said in an interview broadcast Tuesday. Mr. Arafat told CNN's "Larry King Live" that he was sorry not to have gone to Mr. Rabin's funeral on Monday. The funeral was attended by scores of world leaders. Mr. Arafat said he wanted "to have this chance to say to my friend and my partner Prime Minister Rabin: 'farewell.'" But for their interior security affairs, they didn't give me this chance." Mr. Arafat said he understood Israel's reasons for suggesting he stay away. "I understood completely," he said. "I know that ... after this awful crime, they bave some problems.... f was in permanent contact with Mr. Peres and with others, and I understood completely their reasons.

Egyptian gets 12 years for cutting up wife

COPENHAGEN (AP) - An Egyptian man got 12 years in prison Tuesday after being convicted of murdering his Filipino wife in a fit of jealousy, cutting her body into pieces and dropping them into a harbour. Faredon Helmy Khalil Rasmi, 49, denied killing his 39-year-old wife last year, and prosecutors conceded they could not prove he had carried out the murder. But they did convince a 12-person jury that Rasmi had complete up the body, enough for it to find him guilty of murder, a court official said. The woman's name was not disclosed. Prosecutors said Rasmi used a saw to cut off her head and limbs, wrapped them in two plastic garbage bags and threw them into Copenhagen's harbour last year. Her torso was discovered partly burned oo a marshy green field in the city. The body parts in plastic bags were found by a canoeist. Experts linked Rasmi to the crime by a saw found in his apartment. Rasmi told the court that the residue on the saw was that of a monkey he had sliced for food. But experts testified that the teeth on a saw fit exactly with the cuts on the body. Rasmi was arrested after the murder on his way to the airport three hours before his plane took off for Cairo. The one-way ticket for Egypt had been bought same day, police said.

Son to collect Balabagan's blood money

DUBAf (AFP) — The son of a United Arab Emirates (UAE) man said he planned to visit the court on Thursday to collect \$41,000 in blood money from a young Filipina maid who killed his father. "If it's over there, I'll get it," Faraj Al Baloushi told AFP on Wednesday, adding he would give the money to charity or build a mosque in memory of his father, Almas Mohammad Abdulah Al Baloushi, The maid, Sarah Balabagan, stabbed to death Almas Baloushi in July last year but said she had acted in self-defence. An appeals court in the city of Al 'Ain on Sunday received 150,000 dirhams (\$41,000) cash which bad been raised by supporters in the Philippines of the 16-year-old maid, Philippine diplomat Danilo Cruz said. The court sentenced Ms. Balabagan on Oct. 30 to one year in prison and to receive 100 lashes of the whip when she agreed to pay the blood money in exchange for the Baloushi dropping his demand for her execution. A lower court condemned Balabagan to death in September, rejecting her claim that she stabbed her employer with the knife he used to rape her.

U.N. chief's nephew in psychiatric hospital

ALEXANDRIA (AP) - A court ordered the nephew of U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Ghali to undergo psychiatric monitoring Tuesday after his lawyers said he was schizophrenic. His lawyers apparently wanted to lighten the 10-year sentence he received in September for smuggling LSD into Egypt. Judge fzzeddin Abdul Sabour ruled that Karim Raouf Ghali, 17, be committed to a mental condition, judicial sources said. Ghali was arrested in May at his family's villa in the Mednerranean city of Alexandria after two students told police they bought the hallucinogen from him. He received a 10-year sentence in September that the judge described as lenient. Ghali hails from one of Egypt's most prominent Christian families. He is the younger brother of Yousef Boutros Ghali, Egypt's minister of international cooperation.

Backpackers recall travelling with assassin

STOCKHOLM (AP) - Photos of the man who has admitted assassinating Israel's prime minister hit home for two Swedes: They recognised their old backpacking friend. "He was such a nice guy," Adrian Nordenborg, 24, was quoted as saving Tuesday by the newspaper expression. He and Tomas Dirsen, 25, said they met Yigal Amir by chance in 1989 aboard a tourist boat in the Greek islands. The Swedish university students travelled with him two more times while backpacking in Greece and Israel. When they first met, Nordenborg said he noticed "this guy lying on his stomach with a strange cap on his head acting strangely. Nordenborg asked what Amir was doing. Amir said it was time for morning prayer. They started talking, took photos and eventually exchanged addresses — customary among students travelling on a low budget. Expression published a photo taken by Nordenborg of Amir sitting in a chair smiling happily. Nordenborg said they never discussed religion and that he had no idea Amir held extremist views. Nordenborg said he and Dirsen do not belong to any religious group. The two Swedes contacted Amir during their last visit to Israel, in 1993. He met them in Eilat and later gave them a tour of Jerusalem, including the occupied Arab quarter.

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Assassination of Rabin increases Palestinian uncertainty of future

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (AP) - Palestinians are questioning whether acting Prime Minister Shimon Peres is politically strong enough to push the Middle East peace process to a conclusioo despite his strong commitment

Both leaders in the Palesti-Uganda has said it bad nian community and ordinary nothing to do with an attack people said they saw the killlast month on government ing of Prime Minister Yitzhak forces near Parajok and Mag-Rabin last Saturday as a blow wi on the Ugandan border. It to their hopes for peace. said the offensive was solely

But many Palestinians also resented the bero's treatment granted to Mr. Rabin, a man who fought the Palestinians' quest for their own state for nearly balf a century. Palestine Liberation Orga-

nisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat, who returned Tuesday from consultations on the peace process with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, said be had "a good and strong rela-

tionship" with Mr. Peres. He said he hoped the Israeli troop withdrawal from cities in the West Bank. negotiated in the two sides' last agreement in September, would go forward. In fact, officers from both sides met Tuesday to discuss the initial withdrawal - from the West Bank town of Jenin.

The labour minister in the Palestinian National Authority (PNA), Samir Ghosheb, said that at its next meeting the cabinet plans to discuss the dangers to the peace pro-cess from Mr. Rabin's death and wanted to push Israel to keep the process going.

"We, in the Palestinian (National) Authority, will send a clear message to Israeli leaders that we have signed agreements with the government of Israel and not only with Rabin," Mr. Ghosheh said.

PNA's Youth Minister Azmi Sbuaibi said the Palestinians were concerned that Mr. Peres will be dissuaded from moving forward quickly with the pullout and further negotiations, stymying the whole process.

"All our fears are that Peres will not be able to stand up to the Israeli military leaders," Mr. Shuaibi said. "He might suffer from a state of confusion which would to no progress."
Mr. Peres was a stronger

advocate of peace than Mr. Rabin - and was believed to have pushed Mr. Rabin into decisions towards peace. But

many Palestinians share the view that it was Mr. Rabin's popularity as a former general and defence minister that allowed bim to make conces-

Ghassan Khatib, a Palestinian political analyst and former negotiator with the Israelis, said it was the combination of Mr. Rabin's toughness and Mr. Peres' desire for peace that made progress possible. "The combination of

Rabin and Peres is a unique phenomenon in Israel," Mr. Khatib said. "Peres is an experienced diplomat, flexible and cunning, and Rabin is a popular leader in Israel with an excellent security record."

Of course, it was Mr. Rabin's history in the military that made him a hated figure among Palestinians. Many remember him as the man wbo drove thousands of Arabs from their homes in the towns of Lod and Ramle in

Mr. Rabin also was defence minister during the intefada, the uprising that started in 1987, and suggested the revolt be put down by "breaking the bones" of

peace camp has not convinced all, but many Palestinians realise his death makes their future even more uncer-"The reaction here was that of a shock, not because we like Rabin, but because

we can see the negative re-

sults of his murder," said

His recent swing to the

Jamal Joulani, a driver who lives in the Shufat refugee camp just outside Jerusalem. The mixed feelings about Mr. Rabin quickly surfaced in conversation in the camp.

The leader who turned his country into a strong and

modern state should not receive such a bad fate," said Hamis Kharma, a 45-year-old blacksmith who has painted over anti-fsraeli graffiti on tbis shop. Another blacksmith,

Mohammad Debi, blamed Mr. Rabin for the many children killed or wounded by fsraeli soldiers in the camp, including his own son. Ahmad, now 20, who lost an eye to rubber bullets during a 1988 demonstration.

"Why should I cry for the leader whose soldiers took the eye of my son," he said.

Rifkind assures S.Arabia over London-based exiles of course individuals can

JEDDAH (AFP) — British Foreign Secretary Malcolm Rifkind, who began a visit to Saudi Arabia on Tuesday, tried to ease concerns here over the activities of Saudi opposition groups in London.

'I believe that one or two Saudi individuals in London bas no implications for the very healthy relationship between our two countries," Mr. Rifkind said, referring to exiled opposition leader Mohammad Massari.

Mr. Massari was given asylum in London after Saudi Arabia banoed his group, the Committee for the Defence of Legitimate Rights, soon after it was set up in 1993. The group, which is made up of university professors

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sometimes behave in a way which is harmful to the relations between friendly governments," Mr. Rifkind told a press conference after meeting his Saudi counterpart, Prince Saud Al Faisal. "But that has to be put in

proper perspective," he said, adding that the media had given opposition figures greater importance than they deserved. "So far as the British gov-

ernment is concerned, we expeet those of foreign nationality who are residents to obey the law and to act in a

responsible way."
The ambassadors of 15 Arab countries, including Saudi Arabia, in May issued a protest to British Prime Minister John Major about a

Mr. Rifkind last week warned fundamentalists living in Britain against taking part in violent acts.

The British foreign secretary also said bere that London and Riyadh shared the view that Iraq presented an ongoing threat. "We have a similar awareness of the dangers of the division in Iraq and the need for international cooperation to respond to that." he said.

The situation had deteriorated since the defection in August of General Hussein Kamel, the architect of Iraq's banned weapons programmes, Mr. Rifkind

He said Baghdad's revelations that it had developed a huge biological programme was equally worrying. "This

came after two or three years of denying any such programme - what are they still concealing?" he said. Mr. Rifkind arrived in the

Saudi Red Sea port of Jeddah after attending the funeral in Jerusalem Monday of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, assassinated by a Jewish fanatic at a peace rally on Saturday. He said the new Israeli

government, beaded by acting premier, Shimon Peres, was just as determined as the old to press ahead with the Arab-Israeli peace process.

Mr. Rifkind added that the generally supportive Arab reaction to Mr. Rabin's murder, which saw Oman and Qatar send officials for the first to Israel for the funeral. had been "very we)l received in Israel.'

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King's birthday is public holiday

AKMAN (Petra) — Prime Minister Sharif Zeid Ben Shaker announced Wednesday that all government departments and public institutions will be closed on Tuesday, Nov. 14, to mark the country's celebrations of His Markey King Hussein's 60th birthday. The announcement also said that a committee organising celebrations for the occasion has prepared a programme of several activities and events.

SSC to raise pensions 10%

AMMAN (J.T.) - Retired citizens covered by the Social Security Corporation (SSC) can expect a 10 per cent increase io their pension next year, according to Minister of Labour Nader

The government has decided to raise SSC pensions by 10 per cent starting Jan I, 1996, Dr. Abul Shaer announced Wednesday.

The decision, which was taken hy the Cabinet in its meeting Saturday evening, also provides for the increase hy 10 per cent of the pensioo of senior citizens whose jobs were ter-minated due to ill health, Dr. Ahul Shae added. Speaking to the press, Dr.

Ahul Shaer said the decision, taken upoo a recommendation by the SSC board, was taken to mark His Majesty King Hussein's 60th hirthday.
The measure will benefit

those already retired and receiving a pension from the SSC and all future pensioners, provided that the floor of increases in pensions will not drop below JD 15 and will oot rise above 50 per cent, according to the minister.

The decision means that the SSC will incur an additional cost of JD 9 to JD 10

million annually to cover this increase, according to the minister.

The minister made it clear that there will be no cxtra deductions from salaries to cover this amount, and that the new measure will not affect the SSC's investment

programme. SSC Director General Safwan Tonkan announced last month that the corporation has so far invested JD 722.2 million — more than 50 per cent of those funds are deposited in banks, or invested in public shareholding companies and in

Prime Minister inspects new facilities at bridges

AMMAN (Pctra) — Prime Minister Sharif Zeid Beo Shaker Wednesday inspected facilities at the Kiog Hussein bridge oo the River Jordan and opeoed a new arrivals' hall to cope with the growing number of visitors coming to Jor-dan following its signing of

a peace treaty with Israel. Accompanied by Interior Minister Salameh Hammad and other officials, the prime minister toured the facilities which air-conditioned halls, customs offices and

other utilities of a total area of 3,000 square metres. Fakhri Iskandar, the bridge police department director, said improve-10 ments to services and the

bered 98,303 and the first ten months of 1995 have seen 140,978 visitors coter through the hridges. Col. Iskandar said the sum of JD 1.5 millioo has

been allocated for the new

In 1994, visitors oum-

facilities. Not all the allocations were spent and the left-over sum will be spent on modemising the old buildings,

Col. Iskandar said. A tender for this project will be announced in the

next two weeks. Accompanied by the Public Security Director and other senior police officers, the prime minister later visited the new building housaddition of the new ing the badia and border

More rains expected

more rain.

A department official told the Jordan Times that temperatures Thursday will rise to a maximum of 13°C, nearly nine degrees below oormal and dropping to seven at night.

The official said that the rains of Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning fell oo nearly all regions, with Amman receiving a total of 2.8 millimetres.

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Department of Meteorology said Wednesday that a low depression created over southern Turkey and accompanied by a cold air mass will affect Jordan Thursday afternooo and Friday morning, hriogiog

The rains came as a result

oeeds of students with learning difficulties. Learning difficulties do not make the students suffering from them handicapped, Princess Sarvath stressed, adding that some of these students' abilities could be above average. The Princess said that

learning difficulties do oot impede the students' future performance, emphasisiog that many of these problems could be overcome.

By Ghalia Alul

Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN— HRH Princess

Sarvath Al Hassan, Presi-

dent of the Young Muslim

Women's Association and

chairwoman of the Princess

Sarvath Community Col-

lege Board of Trustees,

Wednesday inaugurated the

new Learning Difficulties Centre at the Princess Sar-

vath Community College.

The ceotre, which started

its training programme in

September, aims at equip-ping several Ministry of

Educatino teachers with the

skills needed to deal with

students suffering from

Talking to reporters after

opening the ceotre, Princess

Sarvath stressed the impor-

tance of catering for the

learning difficulties

Pointing out that about 25 per ceot of studeots have some kind of learning difficulties, Princess Sarvath said the loog term objectives of the centre are to reach all students in need of

In the coming few days the centre will start advising schools that students suffering from learning difficulties should be referred to the centre. According to a statement

its services in the Kingdom.

by the centre, "The centre aims to provide qualitative services .or studeots with hidden learning difficulties that impair their expected achievements though they have no auditory, visual or mental problems.

"As loog as educators and parents are unable to detect these hidden learning difficulties they are prone to labeling the child as being lazy or even stupid," the statement added.

It said the centre will also serve as a national testing and evaluation centre, that will eventually be expanded to eocompass a regional

The Princess Sarvath Community College has also opened a oumber of resource rooms in different Ministry of Education schools to bridge the gap between theory and prac-

The resource rooms will be a training site for the new centre's nine staff members as well as offer help and support to children suffering from different learning difficulties.

"The centre has 60 teacher trainees from five different schools in the Kingdom. After their train-



HRH Princess Sarvath Al Hassan Wednesday greets Jordanian and Canadian officials, and guests after inaugurating the Learning Difficulties Centre at the Princess Sarvath Community College (Petra photo)

iog is completed, we will appoint a teacher in each school to work part-time to treat studeots suffering from learning difficulties," said Khuloud Khasawneh, project coordinator and one of the nine members at the

Ms Khasawneh and the other staff received six months of training in Canada where they were equipped with the skills needed to screen, ideotify, diagnose and treat children suffering from learning difficulties

Necessary funds for the programme were provided The Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) which also provides funds for training Jordanian educators in Jor-

After opening the centre, Princess Sarvath toured its facilities and viewed samples of different tests which the centre is in the process of adapting as diagnostic

She was also briefed oo the translated curricula designed and prepared by specialised Canadian experts and institutions for training resource room

The ceotre was set up in cooperation with the Canadian government, CIDA, the Association of Canadian Community Colleges and the New Brunswick

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Two burnt in car accident on airport road By Rana Husseini

AMMAN — Two people were burnt to death Tuesday following a road accident at the Queen Alia International Airport (QAIA) highway, according to Civil Defeoce

Special to the Jordan Times

Department (CDD) reports. A CDD official told the Jordan Times that the accident which took place late Monday night near Al Zamil area involved a vehicle which struck the guardrail on the right hand side

of the highway. The impact of the collision ignited a hlaze in the behicle and two of the three men were trapped inside," the CDD official said.

The driver of the car, Nasser Issa Ahu Samra, 30, the crash unharmed and was found lying unconscious beside the vehicle, according to the official.

"Wheo we arrived we found two people lying the car, unharmed driver and the badly burnt body of the passeoger, he said. The second victim, the

official added, was trapped inside the Saudi plate Mercedes sports car where his charred body was found. "Preliminary indications

of the accident shows that the driver of the vehicle was speeding, lost control of his vehicle and slammed into the rail," the official

Police contacted by the Jordan Times Wednesday declined revealing the cause of the accident. The deceased were identi-

fied by the CDD as: Khalid Mahmoud Ma'aytah, 33, and Nidal Masri, 30.

All three bodies were taken to Al Bashir Hospital. An official at the hospital

told the Jordan Times that the sole survivor was discharged from hospital. Meanwhile, Tuesday's road accidents claimed two

more lives in Zarqa, police and CDD reports said. According to the reports, accident which occurred near Hetin Camp

involved a pickup and a parked trailer. The report said that the pickup driver, who was speeding, lost control and slammed into a trailer that was parked at the right side

of the road. The impact of the accident caused the immediate death of the pickup truck driver, Ismael Kandil, 45. The passenger who was accompanying Mr. Kandil, Kamal Sedik Abdullah, 32, an Egyptian national, died the following day in hospital, according to police

Italian ambassador to Seminar to probe community open new centre at **University of Jordan**

AMMAN (J.T.) — The new Documentation Centre of the Italian Language and Culture located at the Italian Teaching Section at the Department of Modern Languages, the Faculty of Arts at the University of Jordan will be officially opened by Italy's ambassador to Jordan, Romualdo Bettini, Saturday, according to a press release from the Italian embassy.

The new Centro Di Documentazione Di Lingua e Cultura Italiana was provided by the Italian "Fondazione: Giovanni Agnelli" in Turino according to the 1993-95 Executive Programme of the Cultural Agreement between the Italian Republic and Jordan and addressed to the University of Jordan hy a mutual agreement betweeo Marcell Pacini, Director of the Agnelli Foundation, and the Italian Embassy here, the press release said.

According to the press

release, the new documentation centre, to be completed to two years' time, will provide information on foreign language courses; as well as 400 books on subjects as diverse as linguistics, dictionaries, history, geography, culture, novels, arts and architecture.

The centre will also provide video-cassettes of Italian movies and cinematography, as well as audiovisual material for teaching programmes to facilitate Italian language teaching.

The press release said the financial support of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs' three-year language teaching programme has gone beyond the \$250,000 already spent no Jordan.

Dr. Bettini will discuss the new 1995-96 financial for Jordanian universities during the official opening of the centre, the press release said.

Aqaba Region Authority grants contract of JD 3.5m for housing project

AQABA (Petra) - The Aqaba Region Authority (ARA) Wednesday granted three local Jordanian firms a JD 3.5 million cootract to build the infrastructure of Agaba's tenth housing estate.

ARA president Fayez Khasawneh, who signed the contract with the general managers of the three local firms, said that the project entails constructing 22 kilometres of roads, a 52-kilometre length of road shoulders in addition to water, sewerage, electricity and telephone networks needed for the housing

Work on the project will

begin in one month and will

be carried out in the space

According to Dr. Khasawneh ARA's technical department which prepared the designs for the project will supervise the implementation of the contracts. The department has divided the land for the housing estate ioto four parts made up of a total of 1,235 plots of land each ranging between 400 to 500 square

of 900 days, he said.

Dr. Khasawneh said 4,940 housing units with hasic services including shopping centres, schools, mosques and public gardens to accommodate at least 30,000 residents will be set up.

metres in area, he said.

health, endemic diseases AMMAN (J.T.) — Scieo-Centre (IDRC) in Ottowa, according to Dr. Oumeish. The theme of the seminar be "Community

tists from 17 Arab and overseas countries in addition to Jordan will gather in Amman at the Philadelphia Hotel for three-day seminar from Nov. 11-13, according to Oumeish Oumeish, presideot of the seminar. HRH Crown Prince Has-

sanl, the president of the Higher Council for Science and Technology (HCST), will act as patron of the seminar.

The Fifth International and Pan-Arab Seminar on Leishmaniases and Endemic Zoonoses will be organised by the Higher Council for Science and Technology, the Ministry of Health, the University of Jordan the International Development Research

Health-Environment, Preventioo and Control," and will tackle endemic diseases shared by human beiogs and animals, medically known as zoonosis. Four international and pan-Arab seminars on such

previous years. The fifth seminar is aimed at the promotion of health sciences in Jordan as well as in the Arab World and will form a scientific communicatioo platform, according to Dr. Oumeish.

issues were organised in

This seminar will focus on new findings on zoonosis and the impact of development on its spread and

cootrol. The seminar also seeks to focus on the dramatic changes io development plans in the different fields, and the ecological changes that these are likely to bring to the region as a result, Dr. Oumeish said.

The seminar is a forum for promoting progress in the scieoce of zoonoses. It aims to highlight new developments in zoonosis, especially in relation to epidemiology, he said.

Papers for presentation include themes such as contamination in the enviroomeot, water resources development and public health, medical edocation and community health and development, according to

The Embassy of Israel conveys its thanks to all those who presented their condolences on the death of the

Israeli Prime Minister

Mr. Yitzhak Rabin,

and ask each of them to consider this as a personal acknowledgement of their kind gesture.

It is our prayer and hope that the late Prime Minister's Legacy, 'No to Violence - Yes to Peace,' will prevail in our region.

"Aqui El Que No Corre" at Instituto Cervantes on Thursday at 5.00pm.

"Suleiman the Magnificent" (with commentary in Arabic by Dr. Khalid Khreis) at Darat Al Funun on Thursday at 5.00pm. "The Empire of the Sun" at the American

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Center on Thursday at 5.00pm.

"Concert by the band of the National Music Conservatory at the Royal Cultural Centre on Thursday at 8.00pm.

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE A service of Remembrance at the Church of the Redeemer on Thursday at 6.00pm.

POETRY RECITAL Recital of poems by poets of the '90s at

the Phoenix Gallery for Culture and Art on Thursday and Friday at 6.00pm.

EXHIBITIONS * Works by Akram Abdel Jaber at Instituto Cervantes, Jahal Amman.

* "The Birth of Movies," at the Royal Cul-*Works by Dodi Taba'a entitled "Variations Graphiques 93-95" at the French

Cultural Centre. *Protex 95 (Middle East Protection and Security Exhibition) and Building 95 (Middle East Building Exhibition) at Amman International Fair, Marj Al Hamam. (Tel.

* The Bani Hamida Women's Weaving Project presents "Winds of Change" its fall exhibition at the Jerusalem Insurance Company in Shmeisani (Tel. 658696)

'Powell will not seek presidency'

WASHINGTON (AP) -Retired Gen. Colin Powell has decided not to seek the presidency in 1996, the Associated Press has learned. Republican sources said Gen. Powell was putting out word to close friends and associates that he would not run and would announce the decision this afternoon.

Gen. Powell scheduled a 3 p.m. announcement in suburban Washington. His aides refused to disclose his decision.

But two Republican sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said they had been informed by a top Powell adviser that the retired general had decided not to join the presidential

Even though Gen. Powell has never even said whether he was a Republican, he was seriously considering joining the GOP race.

Gen. Powell's delibera-

tions have riveted the political world and all but frozen the GOP field as strategists, contributors and candidates waited to see what he would

"This could be a time when candidates could begin to move a little bit hut with Powell dominating this thing they're all just stuck," Vice President Dan Quayle said in a recent interview with the Associated Press.

Since his retirement as Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman in 1993, Gen. Powell has been the subject of wide speculation about a political future. He fueled speculation by refusing to completely rule out a presidential bid, while dropping tan-

WASHINGTON (R) -

President Bill Clinton and

retired General Colin

Powell gained most votes

Tuesday in a non-binding

presidential straw poll organised in 17 U.S. cities.

.But the poll, which was

in ended to force presiden-

Jul car elidates from all par-

ties to focus on urban

issues, failed to gamer as

much support as its organis-

ers had hoped and voting

In early returns, with

almost 40,000 votes tallied

Clinton had won 53 per cent

of the vote. Organisers had

expected about 200,000

reorie to cast votes at the

same time as they voted in

Second in the early

returns was Gen. Powell

with just over 15 per cent,

ahead of all 10 declared

Republican presidential

candidates. Associates of

Gen. Powell said Tuesday

he would announce whether

or not he was running for

the Republican nomination

Third was Senate majority

leader Bob Dole with 9.6

per cent, well ahead of the

other nine Republicans in

the race. Over 10 per cent of

those who took part backed

various independent candi-

dates, led by billionaire

Ross Perot with 3.4 per

The early results came

from Minneapolis in

Arizona, Burlington in

Vermont, Rochester and

Greenburgh both in New

Minnesota, Tucson

within the next 48 hours.

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was thinner than expected.

talising hints that he might be interested.

National surveys have shown that as a Republican candidate, Gen. Powell would immediately overtake or at least pose a strong challenge to front-runner Boh Dole. These polls also show Gen. Powell handily beating President Clinton if be were the GOP nominee.

The mystery surrounding Gen. Powell's aspirations added to the honpla surrounding his book tour this summer to promote his memoir, My American Journey.

Thousands of admirers lined np at bookstores across the country to see him, prompting him to say that he would have to be "brain dead" not to be influenced by the adulation.

In his book he wrote that he was not ruling out a political future but that he did not feel "a calling" to it, a position he has maintained in a spate of interviews that coincided with his bonk

But grassroots groups pro-moting his candidacy sprang up around the country. While claiming no affiliation with them, Gen. Powell did nothing to discourage them, and they have provided his advisers with research and technical

Gen. Powell had said be would wait until after the book tour ended last month to begin serious deliberation about a presidential candi-

In making his decision, he has consulted with friends and acquaintances, including some of the nation's

west of the country were

But it was clear that lack

of conperation from local

authorities severely limited

the usefulness of the exer-

cise. Most candidates

refused to participate in scheduled debates and the

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ling many of the nation's cities. Mr. Clinton's

strength was not very sur-

prising. But Gen. Powell's

success among Republicans

The project was the brain-

child of Larry Agran, a for-

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presidential tests taking

place in largely rural states

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were largely disregarded in

Mr. Agran described the

poll as a partial success. He

said several cities had

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but "we could not get the

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regarding the crisis in U.S.

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due to report results later.

Clinton, Powell show strength in city ballot

Republicans — among them former President George Bush and three former defence secretaries, Caspar Weinberger, Frank Carincci and Dick Cheney. Gen. Powell's friends said he truly was undecided as recently as this week and

they ventured differing speculation on which way he was leaning. His wife, Alma, voiced concerns for his security and held strong reservations

about his potential candida-Gen. Powell also sought advice from leading conservatives William Bennett and Jack Kemp as other conservatives launched a pre-emp-

tive movement to keep him

from running. These critics, including Free Congress Political Committee Action Chairman Paul Weyrich and Focus On the Family leader James Dobson who worried about his moderate views on abortion and other topics and painted him as an establishment figure who would undermine the GOP contract with America.

But other conservatives, including Mr. Bennett and William Kristol, publisher of the weekly Standard, said Gen. Powell should be welcomed into the race and would be a strong and inspirational candidate.

Among those urging Gen. Powell to run was Rep. Christopher Shays, R-Conn., who said he was talking to other members of Congress about organising Republican support for Gen.

Born in Harlem of

state elections Tuesday by

holding the governorship of

Kentucky, gaining a state

honse in Maine and pre-

venting a Republican takeover in Virginia.

Kentucky Democratic Lieutenant Governor Paul

Patton won a narrow victory

over Republican Larry

Forgy in a swing state

where religious conserva-

In Virginia, an all-out

Republican campaign to

take control of the state leg-

islature for the first time

ever fell short. Democrats

increased their majority in

the honse of delegates by

one seat and clung to a 20-

20 seat tie in the Senate,

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Governor Don Beyer will

bold the deciding vote. The

result was a bitter disap-

pointment for the state's

Governor George Allen,

who had staked his reputa-

tion and his conservative

programme on the result,

even though he was not run-

The second governors'

election of the day saw

Mississippi Governor Kirk

incumbent, comfortably

winning a second term over

In Maine, Democrats won

two special elections in the

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tives are a growing force.

Powell attended City College in New York and spent his entire career in the military. He had several pivotal positions but came into the spotlight when President Ronald Reagan appointed him national security adviser at the White House.

Since retirement, Gen. Powell bas become a wealthy man for the first time, with speaking fees said to be in the 50,000 range and runaway sales of his book.

He bas spoken warmly of Mr. Clinton, although criticising his foreign policy management.

Coincidentally, Gen. Powell was making his announcement the very day Sen. Dole was in New Hampshire winning the coveted endorsement of Republican Gov. Steve Merrill. Part of the Dole campaign's pitch to Mr. Merrill was that conservatives needed to rally around his campaign as a sign to Gen. Powell that his liberal views on some social issues would not go over with the conservative GOP primary electorate.

Gen. Powell has been in seclusion mulling a presidential run for the past two weeks. In consultations with leading Republicans, be was described as being intrigued by the prospect of running. Several of those who spoke with him said Gen. Powell said flatly that he wanted to run.

But he repeatedly raised family concerns.

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Republicans to a buge vic-

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The elections were closely

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attacks on House of

Representatives Speaker

Newt Gingrich, tried to

make these elections a ref-

erendum on the Republican

agenda of balancing the fed-

eral budget through cuts in

health and social pro-

The Kentucky result was

an indication such tactics

could succeed. Mr. Patton's

51-49 per cent victory also

provided the party with one

of it most welcome wins

since Mr. Clinton's election

to the White House in 1992.

In the three years since

then, Republicans bave

taken control of the state-

bouses in virtually all the

nation's largest states,

including New York, Texas

Chairman and Connecticut

Sen. Christopher Dodd said

the result showed the

Republican tide had crested.

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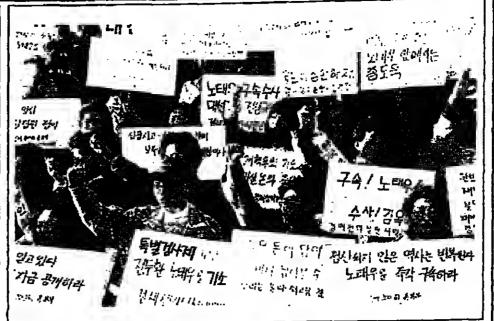
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Some thirty civic group activists demonstrate in Seoul with placards demanding the arrest of former South Korean President Roh Tae-Won who is suspected of amassing a \$650 million slush fund while in office (AFP photo)

S. Korean prosecutors summon five more big business moguls

SEOUL (R) State prosecuiors grilled top South Korean business leaders Wednesday and summoned another five to probe their links with former President Rob Tae-Won's \$654 million slusb fund.

The chairmen of the Doosan, Haitai, Kolon, Kohap and Hyosung groups will come in Thursday, prosecutor Ahn Kang-Min, leading the probe into the fund scandal, told reporters.

The beads of Samsung, LG and Dong Ah arrived early Wednesday at the Seoul prosecutor-general's

Daelim Group Chairman Lee Joon-Yong, Hanil Group Chairman Kim Jung-Won and Dong Bang Group Chairman Myonng-Soo also were called in. Mr. Shin is a relative of

Mr. Roh by marriage. Mr. Ahn told reporters prosecutors bad evidence the giant Daewoo Group belped Mr. Rob bide 30 billion won (\$39 million) in secret bank accounts.

Prosecutors Tuesday questioned Kum Jin-Ho. former trade minister and

riage.
Mr. Ahn told reporters Mr. Kum acted as a middleman in helping Mr. Rob switch 89.9 billion won (\$116.8 million) from borrowedname bank accounts into real-name accounts. This included 30 hillion won (\$39 million) handled by Daewon, he said.

He said Mr. Kum told prosecutors he asked the Hanbo Group to help Mr. Roh hide 59.9 billion won (\$77.8 million). Prosecutors previously said Hanbo Chairman Chung Tae-Son helped Mr. Roh conceal 50 billion won (\$64.9 million).

A senior Hanbo executive said the group took the money as a soft loan. "We did not give money to former President Roh in bribes," be said by telephone.

Search warrants were sought for four commercial banks, including the Commercial Bank of Korea, to track down money that Mr. Roh allegedly used in property transactions, Mr. Ahn said.

He said 16 accounts in the

Another prosecution official said Mr. Roh was suspected of having used some of the \$654 million slush fund he amassed during his 1988-93 term to buy two buildings in Seoul.

"We are investigating four businessmen, including Shin Myong-Son, in connection with funds relating to real estate," Mr. Ahn said. He declined to name the other businessmen.

"However, it is not clear yet whether Mr. Rob or his relatives were involved in the purchase of real estate."

There is no dispute that most of the country's major conglomerates, known as chaebol, belped top up Mr. Roh's slush fund. The question is whether donations were kickbacks aimed at winning major state infrastructure and defence-related projects.

Also at issue is whether the chaebol heads helped Mr. Roh launder the money by supplying borrowedname bank accounts or by

ry and "underestimated the accompanied on his visit to the institute by a Deputy Foreign Minister, Tran

The visit's emotional climax is likely to come Thursday, when Mr. McNamara meets his avowed former enemy, General Vo Nguyen Giap,

Quang Co, and Nguyen Co

Thacb, Vietnam's diplomat-

After his visit to the institute, Mr. McNamara said it had been an "excellent meeting."

"It was a very, very good start to my visit," he told reporters, but added that "it is much ton early to arrive

His bonk, greeted with widespread indignation in the United States, described now aged 83. International Relations. the war as "a tragic mis-"We have to draw the take". lessons of the Vietnam War Mr. McNamara arrived in Vietnam late Tuesday to

at any conclusions."

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Mr. McNamara played a

McNamara reportedly said.

major role in escalating the

war, but admitted in a book

this year, "in retrospect,"

that decision-making in

Washington had been rid-

HANOI (AFP) - Former U.S. Defence Secretary Robert McNamara, visiting Hanoi for the first time since the end of the Vietnam War, said the conflict in which he played a key role should be a lesson for humanity in the next mille-

Mr. McNamara, 79, spent almost three bours talking to students and experts at Hanoi's Institute

to avoid other wars in the next century," a Vietnamese source quoted him as saying in translation.

Washington had been wroog to think it could prevent the Communists' victo-

dled with errors.

belp organise a conference on the Vietnam War to be held next year involving several of the key players in the conflict.

A smiling McNamara was

ic chief from 1980 to 1990. according to the Guardian.

U.N. and OSCE observers 'uneasy'

partially turned back a Republican political tide in that's not the case," he said switched parties. York and Fayette in The mixed picture seemed Maryland. More cities in the Ottawa takes its time mollifying separatist Quebec

OTTAWA (R) — An extended trip abroad by Prime Minister Jean Chretien has put moves to mollify Ouebec on hold for several weeks, and officials Tuesday began speaking about putting together a plan of action by Christmas. After French-speaking Quebec separatists nearly

won a referendum on sovereignty on Oct. 30, federal forces decided they had better move quickly to seize the initiative. The razor-thin victory

against the separatists was a political embarrasment to Mr. Chresien, bus subsequent events such as the murder of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and his funeral Monday diverted his attention in recent days. From the funeral in Jerusalem, Mr. Chretien

travels to New Zealand and Japan for summits of Commonwealth nations and of the Asia-Pacific Economic Forum. He is due to renum to Canada on Nov. 19.

"I think the prime minister at the moment wants to take some time over the next 10 days to reflect on the specifics of how we might proceed, and that will be available to you rather shortly," Deputy Prime Minister Sheila Copps told reporters.

How to proceed with Quebec's demands divides the country and is deeply complex, but separatists have not launched any initiative of their own that would require an immediate response

One of the key federal officials on the thorny Quebec issue, later-Go-

vernmental Affairs Minister Marcel Masse, said Mr. Chretien has appointed him to head a still-to-be-formed committee to study Quebec issues. "We'll develop a plan of action, I hope, by Christmas," he said, speaking after a cabinet meeting in Mr. Chretien's absence.

Mr. Masse later told parliament the panel would look at both constitutional and administrative changes. Some have suggested decentralisation as a route that might please Quebec as well as other provinces by

granting them more powers. In the week before the referendum, when it looked like the secessionists might win, Mr. Chretien made pledges designed to meet some Quebec demands. He now has to meet those

"What we're looking at is possible measures to respect the promises made hy the prime minister," Ms. Copps said. The prime minister was very specific about wanting to have a federal resolution of what he has promised.

One of the least difficult routes on Quebec is for parliament to push through a statement recognising Ouebec as a distinct society - one of the old Quebec demands even if it will not satisfy bard-core separatists demanding a country.

It will be more difficult to fulfil a promise 10 grant the people of Quebec a veto over any constitutional changes that would affect them, as many Canadians resent offering special treatment for Quebec.

over Azerbaijan election ban LONDON (AFP) —

International election monitors in Azerbaijan bave criticised the exclusion of a number of political parties and independent candidates from Sunday's parliamentary polis, Azerbaijani television reported. It quoted a joint statement

by observers from the United Nations and the Organisation for Security and Conperation in Europe (OCSE) expressing "unease" at the bar by the Azerbaijani authorities, which they said could be illegal.

"The mission believes that decisions against the registration of candidates and parties are based on disputable criteria," the statement said. "The mission is uneasy

because, contrary to international regulations, no independent expert has been allowed to examine, confirm or object to the decisions of the official

The observers added, "the real cause of uncase is linked with the possibility days.

that some candidates and parties may have been unlawfully deprived of participation in the... elections. The mission therefore

notes that voters have been

deprived of freely electing

their own representatives." The statement noted that so far eight out 12 political parties and 392 candidates have been registered to take part in the elections. State television reported

in October that the Azerbaijani Election Commission had barred four political parties the Musavat Party, the Communist Party, the People's Democratic Party and the Hope Party - from the elections because of irregularities regarding the nomination of candidates.

ITAR-TASS news agency reported Tuesday that in addition to the four parties almost 600 independent candidates had also been barred from the elections. .

It was the second public chiicism of election arrangements by international observers in three

On Sunday the National Democratic Institute (NDI). a publicly funded U.S. agency which has been advising Azerbaijani politicians on how to conduct a democratic campaign, said that "aspects of the electoral process discourage popular participation rather than promote it."

Flaws in the electoral process could undermine the "public trust" in the new parliament, the first to be elected since the republic achieved independence from the Soviet Union in 1991, the NDI said.

The report cited allegations by opposition candidates that election officials were often unavailable, uncooperative or abusive, and that the appeals process was difficult and unclear.

Authorities eased press censorship in Azerbaijan recently, but ND1 warned of continued self-censorship in a country where it is a capiral crime to insult the dignity of the president.

Drunken donkeys dry out at British sanctuary

SIDMOUTH, England (R)
— An animal sanctuar that has had to treat done keys for alcoholism said that owners giving liquore the usually calm beasts ca turn them into aggression drunks. Dr Elisah Svendsen, whose sanchi in western England is held ing the donkeys to dry on has treated animals give dark Guinness beer an gin. "They get very aggres sive and lose their norma placid temperament," sh told Reuters. "We had a group of three who came in from a pub that was closed down. They had been fed on Guinness and crisps.
One died after six weeks One donkey was trained a pub to pick up a half pin of beer with its lips and down the drink in one gulp. It ended up attacking the puh owner's wife. Dr. Svendsen treats donkeys which make an ass of themselves on alcohol by gradually weaning them off with watered down versions of their favourite tip-

Britain supplied 24 million faulty condoms to Zimbabwe

LONDON (AFP) - Bri-

tain supplied 24 million

faulty condoms made by a Malaysian firm to Zimbabwe as part of an aid programme to fight HIV infec-tion, the British press reported Wednesday. Two papers said the British government had to re-order condoms from other manufacturers after 24 million sent by a Malaysian com-pany, Dongkuk Techno Rubber, were found to be of poor quality after laboratory tests in Zimbabwe. The blunder by the Overseas Aid Administration (ODA) was revealed in a report by the National Audit Office, which monitors govern-ment spending, according to the newspapers. They added that both Britain and Zimbabwe immediately ended the contract with Dongkuk after discovering the goods' poor quality. The faulty batches were part of a 66 million order aimed to encourage contraception and fight AIDS in Zimbabwe under a £900 million (\$1,350 million) ODA bealth aid programme running since 1988 in Africa and Asia,

Mandela smeared in lipstick

PRETORIA (AFP) President Nelson Mandels wound up smeared in lip-stick after greeting the 86 candidates to the 1995 Miss World contest one by one, but managed to give the encounter a political touch. Dressed in a rightlycoloured African shirt, Mr. Mandela offered his condolences to Miss Israel over the slaying of prime minister Yitzhak Rabin before shaking the hand of the red-head, dressed in slinky black. He expressed his hopes for a lasting peace to Miss Croatia, a 19-year-old wrapped in white. The winner will be named on Nov. 18 in South Africa's Sun City resort.

Malaysia bans airport videos after sex show KUALA LUMPUR (R)

Malaysia has stopped screening in-house videos at all airports after a pomographic movie was shown briefly to departure lounge passengers last month, the information Ministry said Information Ministry

The Information Ministry

They had a halt to all in-house videos at Malaysian airports after it discovered the video operators bad not applied for licences. The directive was issued after a pomographic video was shown for 30 seconds at the Knala Lumpur International Airport on Oct. 26. One will be Most of man has been detained for the assault of with the incident.

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Traffic comes to a standstill in the Bangladeshi capital, Dhaka, as traders went on strike in the first ever such nationwide protest. Followers of a Muslim religious leader form a human chain (centre of the road). The protesters were demanding an end to a prolonged political standoff (AFP photo)

Bangladeshis stage protest over political crisis may be the current parlia-

atered down by DHAKA (R) — Tens of Mohammad Afzai, or any thousands of men and women formed a human chain in Dhaka Wednesday demanding an immediate end to the country's long-

running political crisis. They poured on the streets chanting "no further delay in resolution of problems" and "the crisis has become unbearable", witnesses said. In another protest, thousand of Dhaka businessmen rallied on the streets to denounce frequent opposition strikes that shut down transport, trade and com-

They urged the government to resolve the dispute over opposition demands for new elections under a neutral caretaker government

opposition wants Minister Begum Khaleda Zia to step down and hand power to Chief neutral person acceptable to all parties.

Mrs. Khaleda, elected in 1991 in what were hilled as Bangladesh's first free polls, rejected the demand as unconstitutional.

The campaign was to force her to dissolve parliament and allow fresh polls. The opposition accuses

Mrs. Khaleda's government of by-election fraud and sweeping corruption, and says no election under her would be fair. The ruling Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) has refuted the charges. President Abdur Rahman

Biswas Wednesday called parliament to meet in a special session on Nov. 15, the fifth day of a proposed week-long opposition-led national strike.

The move surprised many, including political analysts. some of whom believe it

ment's last session. "However, it does not nec-

essarily mean that Mrs. Khaleda will accept the caretaker demand," analyst told Reuters.

The protesters Wednesday criocised the opposition's failure to press home their demands from within parliament. "Leaving their elected, consolutional posts actually weakened opposioon," one said.

The husiness community joined the protest at the call of Salman Rahman, president of the Bangladesh Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry.

Mr. Rahman asked all federadon members to observe a 15-minute token work stoppage Wednesday and take to the streets to demonstrate their displeasure at the policial stalemate. Traffic in the city of nine million became chaotic dur-

ing the protests which shut down many roads, witnesses said Police said they feared

widespread violence during the upcoming strike because the pro-government acovists had openly threatened to resist the opposition's "disruptive actions".

Opposition including the Awami League led hy Sheikh Hasina, said they would not only boycott elections planned hy Mrs. Khaleda's government hut would resist them.

Time for peace has run out and the government is pushing us towards confrontation," Awami leader Mohammad Nasim said Tuesday.

The BNP says the opposition, fearing defeat in elecdons due early next year, was pushing the country toward anarcby.

town. military said The Wednesday that troops were continuing to "consolidate in newly captured areas" Jaffoa town, believed to have been laced

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Changanai, all equidistant

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Moderate Tamil groups rebels. called for an immediate ceasefire in Sri Lanka's separaost war Wednesday and said the exodus of refugees from the rebel-held north was out of control and could settlement. only be compared to

Bosnia. "The loss of life has been of areas of high civilian unprecedentedly heavy concentration will drive the among the civilians not to people away from their mention the high toll among homes," it said. The LTTE Tuesday the...militants as well as security personnel," the accused the armed forces of groups said in a statement, bomhing civilian areas at Kopai, Chunnakam and stressing that fighting was

"The exodus is uncontrollable," the statement said. The fleeing of nearly half a million people is an index of the terror that has gripped them. The refugee problem is unmanageable...People

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The groups' statement said the LTTE had are facing starvadon." "declared openly" that they It said there was an acute would consider a federal shortage of infants' milk constitution as an alterna-tive to "Eelam", their and no anobionics or medicine. "The situation can would-be homeland. only be compared to that of But analysts said the

Bosoia," it said. LTTE refused invitations to Residents fleeing the discuss a wide-ranging north told Reuters in the devolucion "peace package", offering federalism in central town of Vavuniya there was a line a mile long all hut name, and hroke a outside the hospital at 100-day ceasefire with the Chavakachcheri, a refugee government in April. destination south of Jaffna The Tamil statement was lagonn, with people sufferdrawn up hy parties includ-

ing sores, diarrhoea and ing the Tamil United Liberacion Front, which has The Liberation Tigers of five seats in the 225-seat Tamil Eelam (LTTE) are parliament, and the oncefighting for a homeland in militant People's Liberation Organisation of Tamil the north and east in a war Eelam, which has three which began in 1983.

Government troops are Also signing the statement were the Tamil Eelam Liberadon Organisadon, now massed in the northern Jaffna peninsula for an expected assault on Jaffna

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COLOMBO (Agencies) — with mines hy fleeing Liberation Organisation.

Absent from the list was the fiercely ano-LTTE The group of nine Tamil unions and parties also Eelam People's Democratic Party (EPDP), whose leader called for the immediate Douglas Devananda was the "commencement of a polintarget of an LTTE assassinacal process for a negotiated tion attempt in October.

Mr. Devananda, famous "It is our considered view that bombing and shelling for the two browning pistols he wears tucked into a khaki belt, is currently in the United States.

Meanwhile after three weeks of furious combat, the Sri Lankan army is closing in on Jaffna City, the grand prize in its 12-year war against Tamil guerril-

The conquest of the rebel capital will not end the war. But Jaffna's fall will alter the nature of the fight.

Last week, the army moved within four kilometres of the city, seat of the rebels' government-in-waiting. Bogged down hy monsoon rains, combat has been static since. Military planners say it could take two weeks to capture the surrounding towns and move into the city that has been the centre of Tamil culture for centuries.

A severe hlow to the Tamil Tiger rebels, such a victory could give a boost to President Chandrika Kumaratunga's peace package, proposed last July.

The plan offers to decentralise power from the federal government to the provinces, giving greater self rule to the Tamils who dominate the north and east of the island nation off India's southern coast.

The Tigers rejected the proposal as inadequate. They have been fighting since 1983 for an independent homeland, claiming that the majority Sinhalese are guilty of racism and discrimination:

Even with their capital

vowed to fight on.

"Our guerrilla movement cannot be crushed in conventional battle," said Anton Balasingham, the Tigers' spokesman. "The Lankan forces can take over the territory. But they cannot hold on. We'll strike

Western military analysts agree the Tigers are wounded, hut not so easily destroyed.

Their fighting strength is estimated to be 10,000-15,000 men and women. Even if they lose thousands of dead and wounded, they remain strong enough to mount effective terrorist and hit-and-run campaigns. diplomatic analysts said on condition of anonymity.

The army's hattlefield success on the road to Jaffna has surprised many Sri Lankans. But the victory could have unanocipated consequences.

The government had portrayed the battle for Jaffna as a struggle to liberate one of Sri Lanka's most historic and important cities. But up to 500,000 Tamils fled the advancing army.

Rather than end the war and heal the ethnic divide. some analysts see the rift deepening.

Tamils in the south, who abandoned the independence struggle years ago and joined mainstream politics, are worried about the rout of their kinsmen and the hardship inflicted on civilians.

"There is hitterness not only in the north, but all over the country," said Neelan Tiruchelvam, director of the International Centre for Ethnic Studies in Colombo, the Sri Lankan capital. "Ethnic relations

India election chiefs weigh Kashmir poll prospects

India's election commisnewspapers IF A sioners made a whirlwind the state. tour of Jammu and Kashmir state Wednesday to decide wbether to accept the government's recommendation to hold polls next month in the troubled Himalayan a 66 million E

region. The decision by Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Ran's cabinet on the weekend to hold the first state assembly elections in eight years has been criticised hy national opposition parties and a hroad spectrum of

Separatists called a oneday protest strike Wednesday in the Kashmir Valley, the centre of a five-year-old revolt against Indian rule in which more than 20,000 people have been killed.

Most shops and offices in the summer capital Srinagar shut down for the day and streets were largely desert-

Ominous warnings were issued by militants, who have vowed to step up their campaign aimed mainly at thousands of

The three election czars, led by Chief Commissioner T.N. Seshan, stopped first in Leh, the largest city in the eastern plateau region of Ladakh, to meet state officials and poliocians.

They then flew Srinagar where they saw Governor K.V. Krishna Rao, political leaders and security officials. They were later scheduled to visit Jammu, the state's winter capital, before returning to

New Delhi. The independent commission must decide if polls, which would lead to the end of direct federal rule over the state, would be safe and fair. No decision was

Islamic Resistance Front, an alliance of three Islamic militant groups. But there were no reports of strike-

related violence.

expected Wednesday. Earlier this year, the commission decided not to call

SRINAGAR, India (R) - Indian soldiers and paramil- Charar-E-Sharief was federal laws encroaching on itary troopers deployed in destroyed during a standoff its autonomy. Mr. Rao also the state.

between guerrillas and said the state could replace
"No civilian should move security forces, provoking the titles of chief minister on that day," said the widespread public outrage. and governor with prime Mr. Rao's government and minister and president.

his ruling Congress Party Mr. Rao's proposal irked the BJP, whose leader Murli claim the security situation has improved as Kashmiris Manohar Joshi called it a grow tired of the fighting, "charter for India's and that assembly polls Balkanisation". Mr. Rao appeared to have would help restore normal-

cy in mostly Hindn India's failed to persuade the state's only Muslim majority state. higgest pro-Indian party, the But a broad range of National Conference, to national parties from the participate in the polls. Former Chief Minister Communists to the Hindu Farooq Abdullah said he nacionalist Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) disagree. They would urge party leaders at say the risk of violence and a two-day meeting starting deep opposition in the Wednesday to boycott the Kashmir Valley mean polls polls because Mr. Rao did would not be a true test of not offer adequate autono-

the people's will. Mr. Abdullah has been In a hid to rally support demanding the restoration for polls from Kashmiris clamouring for greater of a 1952 agreement which gave Jammu and Kashmir autonomy, announced a series of concontrol over all areas except defence, foreign affairs and cessions in a nationally televised speecb on the weekcommunications.

The Election Commission He referred to a 1975 could have difficulty calling polls if the National accord, never implemented, which would have given the Conference joins other parpolls after a major shrine in state the power to repeal ties boycotting elections.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE ORGANISATION REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE

FOR THE MIDDLE EAST CORRECTION

The Chairman of the Board of the Modem American School ran an advertisement in the November 5, 1995 issue of 'Al-Rai' and the November 6, 1995 issue of 'El-Dustour' which stated that they had "joined the International Baccalaureate Organisation as Members, and chosen to introduce the International Baccalaureate (IB) programme, both accredited and affiliated with the IBO Headquarters in Genevastarting as of next year 1996/97". This public announcement followed a circular to the same effect that was sent to parents of students in the

school. The IBO would like to state that the Modern American School, which has until recently been known as the Modem Education School, has merely contacted the IBO to express an interest in the IB programme and request information and an application form. While the IBO. welcomes applications and the introduction of the IB into both national and international schools in all parts of the world, an application does not in itself guarantee or automatically mean acceptance to teach the IB. There is an established procedure to be followed and a set of criteria and conditions to be met and fulfilled before acceptance is granted, including as assessment by the IBO staff responsible for the region in question. This process is long, rigorous and demanding and applications are in

fact refused each year. Therefore, and until approval is obtained, publicity must clearly state that approval to teach the IB is being sought and not that it will be taught. The use of the IB logo - or name - or its incorporation into any private logo without prior permission also violates international law. Indeed, the IBO does not view favourably applications from schools that purport to offer IB prior to official approval from the IB office in Geneva.

الممثل الاقليمي للشرق الاوسط

قام رئيس مجنس ادارة المدرسة الامريكية الحديثة بوضع اعلان في العدد الصادر يوم ٥/ ١٦ / ١٩٩٥ من جريدة « الراي ، والعدد الصادر يوم ١١/٦/١٩٩٥ من جريدة الدستور يتص فيه على ان المدرسة انضمت الى اسرة البكالوريا الدولية وسيبدا تنفيذ برنامج البكالوريا الدولية في المدرسة في العام الدراسي ٩٦/٩٦ وكآنت هذه الإعلانات قد سيقتها مذكرة تم تعميمها على اهالي طلبة المدرسة تعلمهم فيها بهذا الخبر.

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Rwanda: 300 rebels killed in raid on island

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said Rwanda ilaysia bans Patriotic Army (RPA) rt videos aff troops stormed Iwawa Island on Lake Kivu Saturday and fought with Hutu miliia has vie island Monday night.

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he added The RPA, dominated by Rwanda's Totsi minority. seized power in July last year after the genocide of up to one million Tutsis and Hutu moderates by Hutu militiamen and troops,

The state-run Rwandan Press Agency (ARP) quoted military sources on Iwawa as saying more than 300 Hutu former government soldiers and militiamen were killed and said its correspondent had counted a total of 54 bodies on land and 87 in the water.

The spokesman and ARP said 15 prisoners were cap-

nured. He said it was by far the biggest enemy concentration RPA troops had found and was an indication of the

rebel buildup. He said heavy machineguns, ano-tank cannons, anti-aircraft guns were captured on Iwawa, 15 kilometres from mainland Rwanda. He said many of the weapons were hrand new and had not yet been assemkilled and some wounded, hled.

He said there were between 500 and 600 former Rwandan troops and militiamen based on the island, from where Hntu militants had launched hitand-run raids into Rwanda in recent months.

U.N. officials said the RPA was increasingly worried by the growing crossborder insurgency mounted by former Hutu troops and militiamen who escaped to Zaire and Tanzania last

ARP quoted some of the prisoners as saying they had been staying on the island for the last two months and it was being used for training and as a base for infiltrating into Rwanda.

The ARP correspondent said he saw captured weapons including a recoilless 75-mm cannon, three ano-aircraft guns, - two heavy machineguns, rifles and more than 100 anti-personnel mines.

In another development, a RPA soldier shot dead 14 people and wounded 19 before committing suicide hy turning his gun on himRwanda, state-run radio said Tuesday.

It said the soldier opened fire on a mob which was angry that he had stabbed to death a local resident in an argument in a bar. Officials said the killings took place

Officials declined comment on the killings in Nshili commune Gikongoro region, a strongbold of the Hutu majority.

The Tutsi-led RPA as a rebel army was considered one of Africa's best disciplined forces before it won the civil war.

Aid workers say RPA members are now frequently involved in robberies because they are short of money and in rural areas are largely outside the control of their commanders in the

RPA troops have massacred hundreds of Hutu civilians this year hut government officials said such incidents were either the work of renegades or retaliadon for attacks by Hutu

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Settlement with justice

THE SUBJECT of war crimes is naturally taking a centre stage in the ongoing peace talks in Dayton; Ohio, among Balkan leaders. The Bosnian government is insisting that Bosnian Serb leaders Radovan Karadzic and Ratko Mladic be handed over to the war crimes international tribunal in the Hague as part of the overall settlement which is in the making. The two Bosnian Serb leaders have been indicted by the tribunal and are awaiting trial if they can ever be extradited, something which does not seem to be in the cards for the time being.

This is taking place amidst growing optimism that the U.S.-brokered peace negotiations have reached a critical point and could be on the verge of attaining meaningful progress on a blueprint for peace in former Yugoslavia.

There is no doubt that all people implicated in the perpetration of war crimes or crimes against humanity in Bosnia should be brought to justice. All war criminals connected with acts of genocide committed in Bosnia should be apprehended or surrendered to the appropriate international tribunal assembled for this particular purpose in the Hague for a speedy trial. This is indeed a high priority issue that no nation, including the three negotiating parties in Dayton, should ignore.

We all know that such noble and legal obligation cannot be met by suspending the political talks on a general framework for peace in the Balkan region or by preventing their successful resolution, till all those charged with war crimes are brought to justice. The Serb negotiators are internationally obligated to facilitate the trial of their countrymen implicated in war crimes. Failing to do so would blemish forever the image and reputation of the Serbian nation. But while a link must be maintained between a final settlement and the prosecution of all war criminals, peace talks between the parties under the auspices of Washington should proceed with full speed. This, for now, is the answer.

ARABIC PRESS COMMENTARIES

A WRITER in Al Ra'i Arabic daily said Wednesday that the outcome of a survey conducted by the Centre for Strategic Studies in the University of Jordan about prospects for some kind of union between Jordan and the Palestinian territories reflects the tendency of people on both sides of the river to forge unity that would best safeguard their interests. Forty-five years ago the people of the West Bank asked the late King Abdullah for merger with the Kingdom, and the recent survey conducted simultaneously in the West Bank and Jordan gives clear indication that there is a great popular enthusiasm towards union, said Mufid Nahleh. Referring to sceptics who fear that a union could mean creating a substitute homeland for the Palestinians in Jordan, the writer said this concept is unrealistic any more, now that Jordan and Israel have signed a peace treaty defining international boundaries between them and in the light of Israel's gradual withdrawal from the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. He said any form of unity between the two people can open up great opportunities for a prosperous future for them, and can further enhance peace and stability for all countries in the

IN THE view of Mahmoud Rimawi, a columnist in Al Ra'i, Israel's Acting Prime Minister Shimon Peres has a good opportunity to breathe life into the stalled Israeli-Syrian negotiations and to complete Israel's withdrawal from Palestinian territory in the coming few months. In the light of the overwhelming international and regional backing for the Labour-led Israeli government's drive for peace. Mr. Peres has a chance to prove to the Israeli electorate that the Labour Party has fulfilled its promises to them about peace with the Arabs, and so secure victory in the 1996 parliamentary elections, said the writer. It is quite known that Mr. Peres is less stringent in dealings with the Arab countries and less influenced by the military than his predecessor, Yitzhak Rabin, Accordingly, Mr. Peres could be more flexible in security and military matters with regard to Syria, said the writer. Without Rabin, said the writer. Mr. Peres will have a free hand to conduct negotiations with Damascus on the one hand and to ensure a smooth Israeli military pull out from Palestinian towns on

The View from Academia

After Rabin, more involvement by the Israeli public

MUCH HAS already been said or written about Yitzhak Rabin and the implications of his untimely demise, and much will be said and written yet. Over the past few days, several people have dwelled on his exceptional personal attributes and achievements, on his qualifications as a leader and peacemaker, on the void be has left in Israel's political scene, on the likely impact of his death on the direction and shape of future Israeli politics and on the peace process, on the meaning of the assassination act within the context of Israeli society, on the noticeable growth, escalation and spread of Jewish violence and terrorism, and so forth. Though much of what is said about the possible consequences of Rabin's death remains in the realm of conjecture or speculation, the issues themselves are legitimate to raise. Indeed, Rabin's death (no matter how one interprets it) has left many in the region sad, angry and (above all) concerned.

One matter of great concern has to do with the position of the Israeli public vis-a-vis the peace process in the days abead. I say the Israeli "public" because much depends on what it may or may not do in the days to come, whether early elections are or are not held.

The vast majority of those commenting on Rabin's death and all of the leaders and persons speaking at his funeral have expressed their unwavering commitment to the cause of peace and the faith and hope that Israel will continue in

Peace, they believe, is a need and necessity for all the peoples of the region, and there is no going back now. They are absolutely correct. Life without peace in our part of the world is in nobody's interest-apart, that is, from the opportunists who have thrived long on the no-war, no-peace situation, the foolish and misguided who revel in their foolishness and ignorance, and the forces of "darkness" and terror.

Such forces are worrisome. Beneath the overt sense of optimism and faith in the continuity of the peace process in nearly all the significant comments and speeches since Rabin's death lurks a covert (but real) sense of anxiety about the future. Essentially, the anxiety stems not just from the fear of the outcome of early elections (i.e. the Likud may come to power) or the void Rabin bas left behind (i.e. will Shimon Peres be carrying the torch as determinedly and ably?) but also from the alarmingly increasing presence and power of Israeli bardliners, extremists and terrorists.

Over the past few years, the number of those in Israel

speaking (and working) against peace and for confiscation of Palestinian and Arab land and erection of various types of permanent Israeli projects in occupied Arab territories (settlements as well as other projects) has immensely increased. And so has the number of those Israelis actively involved in acts of provocation, violence and terror. Whether Yigal Amir has or has not received "his orders from God," whether be has or has not plotted the act alone or with others, or whether there will not be more assassination attempts in store, the fact remains that Yigal Amir's literal and symbolic act is a culmination of a phenomenon which bas emerged, thrived and prospered in the open. Timothy MacVey and the radical rightest groups in America may have come as a surprise to the American public (even though the FBI, we are told, bas been aware of the presence of some serious underground rightest activities); Yigal Amir's assassination of Rabin may have also come as a total surprise to the Israeli public and the Israeli anthorities (in great part because they have not thought it possible for Israelis to inflicts acts of violence on other Israelis). But Yigal Amir as an individual, an active member of the forces of "darkness" and "terror," and a phenomenon has been present and visible for sometime. Those, like Yigal Amir, who refuse to respect, see and recognise the presence and rights of Palestinians and Arabs in Palestine and outside it and have no second thoughts about violating the right of Palestinians to property and life will naturally bave no second thoughts (and no regrets) about inflicting violence on fellow Israelis who oppose their views. This is one of the hard realities which Israel has to come to terms with in the aftermath of Rabin's tragic

What is equally worrying is the untimely absence (at least the week presence) of peace supporters within the Israeli public. There was a time, paradoxically before the peace process was launched in Madrid 1990, when peace advocates in Israel asserted their position (through rallies, marches, demonstrations, sit-ins, etc) on almost a daily basis. Since Madrid, however, we have not (ironically) seen much of the peace supporters, lovers and enthusias

Have they taken the peace process for granted? Have they gotten bored? Have they changed their mind about peace? The visible presence of the advocates of peace within the Israeli public has been lacking in force and vigour during those times when it is most needed, i.e. since the launching of the peace process in Madrid, since Oslo,

The question here is not whether Israel wants peace or not. Obviously, and for reasons which we all know, it does. The mere fact that Rabin was shot at the end of a spectacular peace rally is indicative of Israel's willingness

and commitment to the establishment of peace.
Two points, however, ought to be stressed here. Firstly, had peace advocates and supporters in Israel been more active, involved and assertive, the bardliners, extremists and terrorists would not have been so daring, so powerful and so visible. Clearly, the more passive the peace advocates are, the more active the hardliners. In this sease, have not Rabin and Peres been somewhat abandoned, and has not their position been somewhat weakened in light of the growing opposition and extremism which have been given ample room to move, work and manoeuvre freely?

Secondly, bad peace advocates and supporters been more active, involved and assertive, the peace process (especially with respect to its Palestinian, Syrian and Lebanese tracks) would bave moved a lot more comfortably, smoothly and speedily. The closer we get in realising the aims and objectives of comprehensive peace, the less chance there is for the sceptics, cynics, rejectionists extremists and nihilists on both sides to survive, strengthen and prosper.

Now that Rabin is gone (an event which may or may not have been averted) what ought that portion of the Israeli public which believes in peace to do? The answer to this rhetorical question is obvious: Active support, direct involvement and massive pressure for speedy progress in the peace process. Let those who have been silent during the past few years, speak loudly now. The times are too precious, crucial and critical to spend procrastinating, being too careful and cautious, or being aloof; and the costs

The way I see it, we have one of three choices: either we work harder to bring about peace as smoothly speedily as possible, and thus create the atmosphere in which the extremists and bardliners will slowly but steadily dissolve and disappear; abandon the peace option and let the hardiners and extremists on both sides fight it out and destroy us in the process; or continue to pussyfoot, procrastinate and waste time, and thus allow extremists and hardliners to commit acts such as that committed against Rabin. I have faith that the vast majority opts for the first choice. To this latter end, what is needed now is more real

Israeli society faces further polarisation

By G.H. Jansen

NOW THAT the initial shock and trauma of the killing of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin has faded, along with the laundatory publicity-hype. it becomes possible to step back to assess the man and the legacy he left to his successor Shimon Peres.

It is normal for grave-side eulogies to be a string of pious platitudes but they should not represent the man himself, as has happened with Mr. Rabin. It would be shameful to denegrate the memory of a dead man just for the sake of "debunking" thought that can be scandalous fun. But it a duty to get that memory

Thus, it has been said that Mr. Rabin was a "great man," a "great soldier" and a "man of vision." He was none of these. His "greatness" as an individual depended on his evaluation in the two other spheres.

As a soldier he was a competent and experienced commander but is not to be compared with the innovative tacticians like Yigal Allon or Ariel Sharon. And at the climax of his military

career, when he was chiefof-staff, he failed dismally because in the tense two weeks just before the June 1967 war, which enabled Israel to occupy the West Bank, and was unable to command or issue orders. He was relieved of his command for the crucial first week of the war and his place was taken by Ezer Weizman, then the airforce and intelligence chief (the Israeli airforce, trained by Mr. Weizman, struck first and won the war in its first few hours. Moshe Dayan was also brought in as minister of defence to su-

pervise the war efforts). Mr. Rabin's reputation as a man of vision cannot survive these acts of shortsighted folly on recall. The setting up of the so-called "Security Zone" in South Lebanon: his permitting Jewish settlers to implant themselves in the centre of Hebron and in nearby Kiryat Arba.

Mr. Rabin was a most reluctant and grudging peacemaker and was pulled into the peace process by Mr. Peres and the young Labour Party leaders such as Yossi Beilin, now minister for science and technol-

ogy. What then was Mr. Rabin's contribution to Israel and the peace process? Simply this — that once he realised that the peace process was good and helpful for Israel, he lent it "security credentials" that is his military credentials. So that if he told his people that a certain risk had to be taken for peace he could persuade most or at least a majority of his people to take that risk. Unfortunately. Shimon

Peres has no military credentials because he has never worn uniform professionally (except perhaps for brief periods of reserve service). And though as a civilian bureaucrat, Mr. Peres did much to build up the formidable Israeli military machine, his lack of military service is an irremediable draw back, even a defect, especially in a heavily militarised, garrison state like Israel. And nothing can be done to make up for that defect at this stage.

What make Mr. Peres' task more difficult is the new and not yet apparent fact that the assassination itself has changed the quality of the perception of Israel by itself and hy

Israel has shown itself to be not a European-type state but a Levantine state, just like its neighbours. Violent, turbulent, undisciplined and faction ridden. The killing has turned over the Israeli stone and re-

vealed its grimy underside

as a racially arrogant state. Israel cannot afford to: accommodate passively its militias of religious fanatics because they are too challenging and dangerous. And in any case they will challenge the government at the next election in 1996.

So how can the new prime minister deal with and curb the right which has now shown that it can take direct and deadly action? The fact that some Israeli schools have asked the ministry of education for conselling on how to handle students who are not mourning Mr. Rabin's killing but celebrating it shows how deep and wide the poison of hatred and violence has spread.

The only really effective way to deal with the antipeace campaign of the Right would be for the govemment to stop or freeze

the peace process which it will not and cannot do. Countering the peace-making of Mr. Rabin and Mr. Peres is the fun-

damental Jewish and Zionist credo that Jewish land must remain in Jewish hands forever, which is exactly what the right is saying. Mr. Rabin's assassin bas said that he killed Mr. Rabin because "he was giv-ing away our land to the Arabs." Note the use of the word "our." The only basic way for

Mr. Peres to stop the right once and for all would be for him to use the educational system to uproot or drastically modify the absurd Jewish/Zionist myth that Biblical "Eretz Israel" or the "Land of Israel" is Jewish property by Divine right but that would involve the complete secularisation of the schools which the right and the powerful Rabbinate would not allow to happen — their opponents'

It is being said that Mr. Peres' problems are the peace process and relations with Syria and so on and so forth. Those are the problems of vesterday, and perhaps of today, but for

Mr. Peres tomorrow's problem is what to do about the fissured society of the Jewish state, a problem which can only get worse. Hopeful talk that Mr.

Rabin's killing will reconcile the two sections within Israeli society is liberal sentimentality; it is more likely to sharpen the division for as the killer has said. "We must be cold hearted." The right, temporarily embarassed by accusations that it produced the climate of hate that made the killing feasible, has cleverly finessed the issue by saying that man Yitzhak Rabin while remaining opposed to the policies of Mr. Rabin the politician. U.S. President Bill Clinton has seen the danger of a divided Israel and in his funeral oration pleaded fervently with Israelis not to fight and kill each other.

But the right will be even more opposed to the policies of Shimon Peres who is far more dovish than Mr. Rabin and when it comes to Mr. Peres agreeing to leave the occupied Golan to achieve peace with Syria, half of Israel will simply not obey. The entire peace process could collapse.

The spread of Kurdish nationalism: A new stage in its development

By Robert Olson

THE ENGAGEMENT of Abdnllah Ocalan's PKK forces with those of Mas'nd Barzani's KDP peshmergas on Aug. 25 marks a new stage in the development and spread of Knrdisb nationalism. Although the PKK and KDP have fought before, notably in 1992, the combat that commenced on Aug. 25 is different. Ocalan's decision to attack the KDP, unlike the earlier conflicts that were largely for tactical military pur-poses, was an explicit political challenge to the KDP and indirectly to the PUK, the chief Kurdish factions in northern Iraq. As Ocalan himself stated,

the first Drogheda conference in early August was intended not only to negotiate differences between the KDP and the PUK, but "to strangle" the PKK; a stran-gulation. Ocalan made clear, that was to be ex-ecuted by the U.S., Europe, Turkey, the KDP and PUK. The strangulation would be made possible by the complete subservience of the Iraqi Kurdish leadership to these

The PKK seeks recognition in Iraq

Sami Abdurrahmati, a close adviser to KOP leader Barzani, seemed to affirm Ocalan's worst fears when he stated that "northern Iraq is under the control of the U.S., Britain, France and Turkey." However, the main reason for the KDP's ire seemed to be Ocalan's demand that the PKK be represented in the Kurdish Regional Government which the Drogheda conference agreed should once again be reconstituted, and in any federation that might be established. Such a development is

rejected by the Iraqi Kurds, especially the KDP, for several reasons. One is that it limits their claims of Kurdish Regional Government. Second, it means a Kurdish nationalist movement not indigenous to Iraq's borders as established in 1925 is demanding representation within those borders which for the last three decades have been dominated by the KDP and PUK. To accept Ocalan's demand would mean that the PKK would become a de jure part of the Iraqi Kurdish nationalist movement in Turkey. Either development would reduce the almost exclusive dominance that they have exercised over Kurdish politics in Iraq since World War II. The KDP and PUK also

know that such developments are opposed to U.S., European and Turkish policies (in the case of Turkey unwillingly) to develop Kurdish autonomy in north-ern Iraq. The American, European and Turkish support for such autonomy is

conditioned on the premise that the KDP and PUK will not support the PKK or other Kurdish nationalist organisations in Turkey.

The PKK's demand to be included in the reconsti-tuted regional assembly is especially threatening to the KDP for two major reasons. One, the PKK and the KDP are territorially contiguous and, two, both organisations are rivals for the mostly . . Kurmanji-speakers of the territories they control. The Iraq-Turkey international border of 1925 is of little importance in this context. The PKK's demand effectively ignores this border and would impact directly on the KDP's ability to maintain control over the territory it now holds. The PUK is less directly threatened; its territory is not contiguous with that of the PKK and the territory it controls is inhabited largely by Sorani-Ispeakers. Ocalan's demand for in-

clusion in the Kurdish Regional Government is in direct opposition to U.S., European and Turkish policies. For the Americans and Europeans, it upsets their efforts to attempt to create a weak Iraq, shorn of one third of its former national territory and acquiescent to Saudi Ārabia, Europe and the U.S.. Such an Iraq would also meet Israeli requirements for a new Mid-dle East. Second, the inclusion of the PKK in the

set-up would complicate further European and U.S. relations with Turkey. PKK representation in northern Iraq would mean de jure recognition that the PKK is a legitimate organisation. In Turkey the PKK is legally defined, and fought, as a terrorist organisation.

The PKK's challenge

Therefore, if the Iraqi Kurds agreed that the PKK should be represented in the regional parliament, they would jeopardise their relationship with the U.S. and Europe; it would effectively terminate their relationship with Turkey. Such a development would increase the legitimacy of the PKK. The KDP and PUK are mindful that they represent some, at the most two million, Kurds in northern Iraq and, perhaps, enjoy the support and goodwill of another one million Kurds elsewhere in Iraq. The PKK, however, is snpported strongly by, at least, 50 to 60 per cent of the people of southeast Turkey. as even a recently published Turkish government sponsored report acknowledges, and enjoys the support of several million more Kurds living in other areas of Turkey; it enjoys the goodwill of rhany of the 12

million Kurds in Turkey. The PUK and the KDP do not want to get into a legitimacy contest with the powerful PKK and increasingly powerful Kur-dish national sentiments of the Kurds in Turkey. If they do, they recognise, quite rightly, that their legitimacy is bound to diminish. The PKK has had a programme of systematically propagan-dising among the Kurmanjispeaking Knrds of northern Iraq, especially in areas where they had or have been able to establish camps, since 1991 when, as a result of the Gulf war, they were able to take

advantage of the collapse of the Iraqi state's security system. The attempt of the PKK to establish grassroots legitimacy among the Kurds of northern Iraq is a direct challenge and threat the collapse and threat challenge and threat to the PUK and KDP, especially the latter.
The PKK challenge to the KDP in northern Iraq also means that the U.S. and Europe must continue to support, militarily and financially. Turkey's harsh and brutal war against the PKK in sontheast Turkey and, if recent reports are

correct, against the PKK's attempts to establish their organisation in Hatay. It goes without saying that the Americans and Europeans will pursue such policies, for the reasons mentioned above, all the while decrying Turkey's "human rights abuses" against the Kurds within Turkey and now, ironically, in northern Iraq as a result of the large Turkish military incursions in March and July. Several

thousand Turkish military

The demand of the PKK to be represented in the Kurdish Regional Govern-ment is a brilliant ploy of Abdullah Ocalan to not only upset the strategies of the Dublin conference, but also to challenge the configuration of the political boundaries that are envis-

aged for the region. The challenge to the KDP and PUK is clear; if the PKK were to be represented in northern Iraq, it would be the second parlia-ment in which it would be represented. The PKK is already the strongestrepresented Kurdisb nationalist organisation in the Kurdish Parliament-in-Exile in The Hague, The Netherlands. The PKK has accomplished this while the KDP and PUK have yet to set up as a contribution of the property of the party of t set up an agreed constitu-tional parliament capable of administering the territories they control. Sami Abdurrahman, Mas'ud Barzani's spokesman, stated that the PKK's demand to be included in the northern Iraqi regional parliament "was a pipedream: they (the PKK) are not from us. For them to want to have a place in our parliament is laugh-

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Society on the Move

The chain of cooperation links far and wide

Ambassador Nasouh Majali, who returned from his post in Prince Hassan; seminars on political parties for the Toronso, Canada, in mid-September will soon head for Damascus as ambassador plenipotentiary 10 Syria. The former minister of information and culture had earlier served as ambassador to Iraq. Although it is true that Damascus brings him much closer to home than Toronto. Mr. Majali says he is looking forward to his new assignment because "I think Syria is a very important neighbour." Mr. Majali will leave for Syria within two weeks with his wife Haya and their two younger children. He was accorded a nice send-off on Tuesday evening when a huge crowd of ministers, parliamentarians and friends, including a couple of former prime ministers (Zeid Rifai and Abdul Salam Majali), turned up at a farewell dinner he hosted on the occasion of his taking up his new duties. Mr. Majali had served as minister of information in the first Cabinet of Sharif Zeid in 1989 and before that as advisor at the Royal Court, having headed the Jordan Radio and Television Corporation for o few years. To this day, Mr. Majali maintoins good links with the media, particularly by continuing to contribute occasional articles to Jordanian newspapers on Arab issues.

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THE END OF A DOBERS DECADE: Hubert Dobers is leaving his Amman-based past as representative of the Kanrad Adenauer Foundation (KAF) in Jordan, the autonomaus occupied territories of Palestine, and Lebanon. The KAF, representing the Christian Democrotic Union, is one of the political foundations in Germany. The 65-year-old Dobers came to Jardan only three years before the turning point events of 1989 and the country's lunge into the democratic march. Since then he has worked on supparting several projects including o series of seminars in the field of political education: "Democracy and the Rule of Law," with the active participation of HRH Crown

improvement of the parliomentory work in Jordan, in cooperation with Al Urdun Al Jadid Research Centre; a seminar on the role of the media, in cooperation with the Centre for Strategic Studies of the University of Jordan; and a conference on the role of women in the democratic process of Jordan, in cooperation with the General Federation af Jordanian Women. The former lawyer and judge spent nine years warking on international cooperation in Africa, first for the German Volunteer Service, later with KAF. From 1979 until his arrival in Jordan he was responsible for cooperation with the Arab World at the KAF head office in St. Augustin, Germany. Mr. Dobers and his wife Jacqueline say that it is with mixed feelings they leave Jardan, "which in more than nine years and nine months, we have come to love dearly." The couple are hosting a reception next Wednesday evening of the Regency Palace Hotel to say good-bye to their friends and associates in Jordan and also ta introduce Olaf Köndgen who will succeed Mr. Dobers as of Dec. 1. Mr. Köndgen, who is single and will turn 34 this month, has a masters in Islamic Studies from the Freie Universität in Berlin. Before coming to Amman he spent two years os an assistant to the KAF in Coiro. He speoks English, French and Arabic, wrote his masters thesis on Islamic penal law in Sudan, and may prove to be somewhat of a culinary artist as well for having worked as a cook in New York and Los Angeles in his early 20s. The Konrad Adenauer Foundation may soon have company as we have learned that plans are under way to open an office in Amman of the Hans Seidel Foundation, the political foundation of the Christian Socialist Union of Germany. The work of this institution in Jordan, pending Ministry of Social Development opproval, will focus an vocational training of experts. Farewell, Herr und Frau Dobers, and Wilkommen Köndgen.

GOING OUT WITH FLAIR: Well under way are receptions and dinners bidding forewell to Italian Ambassador Romuoldo Bettini and his wife Amparo who are returning to Rome where Dr. Bettini will take on his new past as deputy chief of protocol of the Italian government. On the lists of hosts is Mrs. Hind Sherif Nasser who is organising a reception on Saturday at her new Jordanian arts and crafts centre, called Artisana. There Mrs. Nasser is arranging for a recital by musicians from the National Music Conservatory/Noor Al Hussein Foundation to thank Dr. Benini for his continuous support of projects that keep alive the special talents and crafts of the Jordanian people. Mrs. Nasser describes her private venture as o place to find arts and craft for personal and home use. She also says that it will be open to innovative ideas of local artists and artisans. Another event includes a dancing party where the dress code/colour is red. Now, that's flair with a flare.

SHARING IN THE FESTIVITIES: Starting Soturday, the Embassy of Pakistan will host several major events meant to participate in Jordan's celebrations of His Majesty King Hussein's birthday, says Ambassador Ali Sorwar Naqvi. Under the patronage of HRH Princess Sorvath Al Hassan, the Royal Society of Fine Arts in cooperotion with the Pakistan National Council of Arts will present a paintings and photogrophs exhibition from Nov. 11-25 at the National Gallery of Fine Arts. The exhibition, entitled "Pakistoni women of substance in paintings and photographs." consists of mare than 70 paintings by contemporary women painters of Pakistan and 25-30 photographs of women's activities all over the state of Pakistan. On Nov. 12 at 4:30 p.m. Prince Abdullah and Princess Rania will inaugurate o single-country trade fair under the theme, "Made in Pokistan," at Al Bassom Exhibition Centre of King Abdullah Gardens. The foir will be the first single-country exhibition from Pakistan in

Jordan and will consist of Pakistani export products from 40 major companies. And the items will be available for sale. Again under the patronage of Princess Sarvath, a performance of Pakistani folk dances, classical dances and instrumental music will be staged or the Royal Cultural Centre on Nov. 17, 18 and 20. And concluding the twa weeks of events will be a display of Pakistani ladies' jackets at the Marriott Hotel arranged by the House & Garden

DESERVING MENTION: Not related to the plans of the embassy but certainly Pakiston-related is another letter to the editor, among the few others that have come in to the paper, congratulating the Jordan Times on its 20th anniversary. We thought that publishing all the letters we actually did receive would be perceived as overly basking in our own glory, but we are so maved by many of those who took the time to write to us that we could not resist acknowledging their salutations. The three letters we selected to highlight were signed by Zaid Ahmad Muhaisen. president of the Pakistan Graduates Club in Jordan, Fayez Abul-Enein, general manager of the Bonk of Jordan, and Dr. Salah Salah and family. In his letter, Dr. Salah, who is an old friend of the newspoper, said "My family and myself are now almost 17 years in Jordan. The single most consistant daily acquirement of value was and is the Jordan Times." And Mr. Abul-Enein wrose "The dedicated efforts you put in covering topics of real interest to the readers in an objective manner as well as your distinguished journalistic performance ore highly commendable and appreciated." Perhaps it's time to consider a "Friends of the Jardan Times Society.

Jennifer Hamarneh

Fashion's new romantic Galliano shakes up Givenchy

By Lee Yanowitch Reuser

PARIS — The Paris fashion set calls British designer John Galliano a genius for his wildy romantic, superbly crafted collections. but his own attire is some-

He styles his hair in dozens of tiny braids and sports a vague strip of a moustache. His lemon yellow leather bikers' suit is unzipped, the upper-half flopped down over his hips revealing a "John Galliano" muscle T-shirt.

"It's just a look," says Galliano, 34. "I'm not allowed to ride a motorbike because of my precious fin-

Galliano, who has his own fashion bouse, is to unveil his first collection for the legendary Givenchy label in January, replacing Hubert

De Givenchy, who stepped down after 40 years at the entirely by hand and impostop of the profession.

A few days after the summer ready-to-wear shows, Galliano's showroom, in a dusty alley next to the Bastille Opera, is buzzing with buyers and journalists. A model listlessly emerges from behind a curtain in one of his stunning outfits.

The dresses are supposed to make you want to dream, to dance," he sighs. The draped neckline of

one Belle Epoque dress curves nowards to melt into a wide-brimmed hat there is no separation between the two. On a biascut gown - Galliano's tour de force — layers of smoky chiffon converge at the hust. of all places, and swirl into an orchid. Nothing is tacked on: The dress and decoranon are all one piece. Some of the clothes are

entirely by hand and impossible to reproduce in a factory. The motif on a grandiose, seamless black ballgown is not printed but stitched in another fabric,

each leaf. The technique is mind-boggling. 'It's passion. Blood, sweat and tears," he giggles. "Sometimes 1 cry."

right down to the veins on

A lot of ink has been expended on Galliano's lifestyle. The fashion press talks of his exuberant nightlife, unpredictability and instability, and worries about whether be'll have the discipline to last at Givenchy. This exasperates

"I do love going out I work hard and I play hard. Music, dance, film they're all part of my inspiration. I think the people at Givenchy would be worried if I stopped," he says.

"They should just come and see the clothes," be. adds, lighting a cigarette-with quick, jerky gestures. "Is this a collection by someone who is undisciplined? Just let me do it"

Indeed, Galliago asked Givencby President Richard Simonin if he should cut his hair, "Absolutely not," Simonin replied.

But the devilish appearance is just the outer shell of a sensitive, fragile interior. "I'm deeply religious. Roman Catholic. I pray to God every night and every morning. God gives me strength," he says. It was Bernard Arnault,

chairman of Givenchy's owner, French luxury giant LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vnitton, who picked Galliano. With - Christian Lacroix, Amault has two of fashion's most gifted young

her work, and she wonders

He seems the polar opposite of Givenchy, whose classic designs were most at home on a conservative matronly clientele.

Arnault chose Galliano to create a stir and the young designer is working hard to prove himself reliable. Last season he was among the first to deliver department store orders.

Galliano tells the story of his spring-summer 1996 collection --- there is always a story — beginning with a boat full of schoolgirls out at sea which starts to sink. "Its about unconscious

beauty — a girly version of lord of the flies. These girls swim to safety in their school uniforms and Sunday best," he says. Hence the rattlesnake necklaces and Indian feathers strung on a choirboy's robe.

When the girls are rescued

from the deserted island, one of them is adopted by Maria Cassati, the muse of the 19th-century Italian painter Boldini, who sends her to the Paris conservatory, where she becomes a

ballerina. "Strong," he says of the woman he dresses. "In control of her own destiny. And romantic."

Born in Gibraltar, Galliano's family moved to the south London suburb of Banersea in 1966. He was an outsider at school, before being admitted to the prestigious Central St. Martin's School of Art and Design in London where he finally chose clothing design as a

subject. Friends from that time say it was clear even then that he would become a major talent. At St. Martin's he met Lady Amanda Harlech, his wispy muse and soulmate who will be creative director at Givencby. We bonnce ideas off each

other. And she's a superb colourist. She lives in the country and so isn't a part of the fashion world which gives her a better percepnon...She's my Diaghelev," he says with an impisb grin. Galliano moved to Paris in 1992 to be nearer fashion's

epicentre. He struggled at first, sometimes helped by patrons such as Portuguese socialite Sao Schlumberger, who loaned him her Paris mansion for a show in March 1994. Last year, John Bult,

chairman of Painewehber International, gave him financial backing 10 move into the atelier be now occupies and produce two fashion collections a year. Galliano has always

dreamed of baving his own

Givenchy job is a gift from heaven.

"I will respect what be did, but inject some modernity, freshness, and a bit of Galliano. Strike a balance,'

Each season, Galliano goes to London for a week before starting his own collection, bunting for inspiranon at the Victoria and Albert Museum, art exhibitions and libraries. But the groundwork for Givencby will be done in Paris.

"It's very important to keep two separate identities. You won't be seeing any hias-cut at Givenchy," be

The sudden ascension to fashion's hall of fame sometimes takes its toll. "I get freaked when there are a lot of people in here," Galliano admits. "I'm really just a

Dodi Tabbaa — No rules, no boundaries but a lot of variety

By Melanie Wise

HAVING BEEN introduced to this unconventional artists' works a couple of years hack, at a joint exhibition in this very same room, I was expecting a wave of deja-vu, only to my surprise it turned out to be a combination of deja-vo with a magical experience of the world of colour, line and form, boldly displaying a new ecstatic dimension much more vivid and almost mystical.

which it would keed. The PKK i After a 20-year hiatus from printmaking, Dodi Tabbaa blazes back into the art scene with an exhibition of her latest prints, woodcuts, etching and lion-cuts. many of them produced at the graphic studios of Darat Al Funun and in the Madrid studio of printmaker Denis Long, entitled "Variations on Graphics+ 93-95," currently on show at the French Cultural Centre, it is a virtuoso performance, her trademark vitality upgraded with a new maturity.

"Exuberant," "graphic," energetic," "chaotic," "epergetic," inventive": endlessly. These are words that have often been used to describe Ms. Tabbaa's work. While the descriptions are appropriate, they always seem insufficient; however cliched it may

are all of the above and more. They reflect an artisnc sensibility in a constant state of flux, experimenting, searching, evolving and fusing a dazzling prism of influences, insights, dreams and emotions.

This was an exhibition reflecting the modern mind's search for a deeper relationship with shapes and strokes derived and inspired from music, nature and the environment. She seems to have successfully attempted to transform her colourful visions into a survey of moods depicted in the works from 1993 to

Graphics+" features a series of prints with a difference. While printmaking traditionally involves repeated pressings of the same plate, each one no different from the other, save for its sequence in the series, her um results in no two prints used no more than three or print (A/P), individually treated, worked on and Hence, the theme of varia-

lows and purple, highlighted by stark black - and media - ink wash, light or heavy pressure, intaglio, flat with normal etcbing, juxtaposition of two plates — is a hravado perfor-mance, attesting to the Dodi Tabbaa's undeniable talent and versatility. As the artist herself explains, "I suppose you could say that I'm a rebel of sorts. I don't really follow rules. I like variety' I think it brings a new fresh-

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ness and perspective to each print I create. The creative process for me does not end once the plate has been pressed. In fact, that's just the beginning. I think what I tried to relay in my work are the images born out of the intuitive symbols of an experience either in bold approach to the medi- the past or the present which have remained being identical. A plate is hauntingly present-causing an outburst at certain interfour times, and each print is vals in my daily life. a bonafide original artist's Tracings and rubbings of materials from leaves. wood, pencil shavings, fabcoloured by the artist. rics, to even sewer covers provide imagination with an initial stimulus... and The confident mix of then the scribhlings, sketchcolours - a ricb palette of es, brush strokes, ink wash-

sound, Ms. Tabhaa's works blues, greens, ochres, yel- es enter into unexpected friend - the result is a Winston. associations." There is a spontaneity in

> whether perhaps uncon-sciously, there is some sort of internal control involved. And in general, her prints seem to present a universe of unbridled passioos and impulsive reactions, a wild imagination let loose. Yet there is in her work an unsettling element inviting reflection on the tension between chaos and order. By way of explanation in her woodcuts, she quotes one of her favourite artists, Hans Hartung: "A single line, violent, passionate, broken or beautifully calm, regular, uniform, conveys what we are feeling. It corresponds to what we are living through." On the other part of the woodcut, she has paid tribute to American artist, Barnett Newman, by inscribing his words. These series of woodcuts are combined with inkwash. In sharp contrast to the earlier maze of opalescent colours and kaleidoscopic forms, this series is largely monochromatic, cerebral, contemplative, at times almost mystical. Producing the huge woodcuts, she con

rather exciting surprise."

The "plus" is the intrigu-ing "Jigsaw" series, six cardboard cut-outs which explore the relationship between space and mass, pattern and line. From a distance, the feeling conveyed is one of lightness and air, amorphous forms floating against gravity. Come closer and the overlapping cardboard pieces come into Expressiveness view: reined in by austerity. Ms. Tabbaa then offers a work of diptychs, a translation of

The overall impact of the endless variations reveal the depth of expression of an artist with a sure, sharp sense of colour, texture and

the cut-outs onto canvas.

A mesmerising fusion of artists as diverse as Jackson Pollock, Miro, and Keith Haring, spiced up with a dash of African primitivism. Oriental minimalism, and graffiti scrawlings, Tabba's art is inspired by everything and anything, from the mundane to the sublime. Her poetic equivalent

would be Gerald Hopkins and his dazzling wordplay, in music the multi-lavered fugues of Bach, and fesses, "Was a bit tedious. the syncopated Jazz as they involved a lot of rhythms of Gershwin, Duke work, but, I had belp from a Ellington and George W.

Pakistani by birth. Bangladeshi hy heritage and Jordanian hy marriage, educated both in the East and West, Dodi Tabbaa has long been a strong presence on the local art scene. A member of the Jordanian Artists Association, she began her career as a graphic designer. "I had to earn my living, like everyone else!" she says. Countless exhibitions later, Ms. Tabhaa enjoys both critical and popular acclaim as an artist of many facets printmaker, colourist, paper constructor. art consultant, textile

designer - working in an astounding variety of media. While her work is recognisable, it is never stagnant. "As an artist, I'm always exploring new avenues of expression," she states. "I can't bear to do the same things I was doing two years ago. To me, that's regression, not growth.'

To prove her point, she quotes the late French artist Ýves Klein: "Artists wbo wish to save their personality at any cost will kill their spiritual selves and lose their lives. Art should be an open channel for penetration by impregnation in the sensibility of the immaterial space of life itself,"



One of the works on display by Dodi Tabbaa

art — clearly conquers all.

Melanie Wise is a free-

In Dodi's case, life - and lance cultural journalist who has contributed arti-The exhibition ends on cles to several international publications in the Middle East and South East Asia.

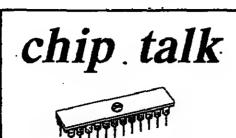
Imagine the disastrous impact you would make going to an important meeting or an interview and suddenly findmg yourself speechless. I mean literally unable to speak. This is how your computer must feel — and you thought it had no feelings at all — when it tries to tell you something and cannot say a word. Instead it just displays some message on the screen, boping you will take notice of it and react accordingly.

Speech is becoming an increasingly important means of communication between the user and its PC. Twenty years ago, computer operators didn't bave nice monitors (screens), mice or even keyboards as we know them now, to talk to the machine. A slow and unfriendly console, similar to an early telex device, was all they had to give instructions and send commands to computers. The machine would talk back by displaying hieroglyphic messages either on the telex unit itself or in the form of series of small lights on the computer's front panel.

These days are gone now. To send (input) commands or information to PCs we use keyboards, mice, joysticks or scanners. To receive (output) data from PCs, we have scanners. To receive (output) data from PCs, we have screens, printers and plotters. Until approximately 1985, sound, an extremely friendly way to communicate with machines for input and output, had been much neglected. The Apple Macintosh was the first equipment to provide practical solutions in this regard. Its very own design, built on Motorola processors helped achieve quality sound processing. On the other hand, its brother, the IBM compatible PC has been a poor follower, until the beginning of this decade. ning of this decade.

Each computer application has hardware and software requirements. Software for the processing of sound has been refined over the past couple of years to the point that users can have CD-like quality speech and music on their PCs. To enjoy the quality of hi-fi stereo sound computers are able to playback, a pair of speakers is necessary, in addition to what is called "a sound card". These items are not usually supplied with the machine,

Most sound cards give satisfactory results, but it is more difficult to pick up a good pair of speakers. A wide variety of PC speakers are available on the market. It starts with very cheap models, at about JD10 a pair (hardly bet-



ter than the computer's terrible built-in speakers) to true hi-fi systems costing more than JD300. Naturally one can take the audo output from the computer's sound card and channel it to a full-sized home stereo system. Though obviously giving the best results and yielding a lot of power, this solution is not very practical. A set of dedicated speakers, always attached to the PC is what one

A comparison of 10 different PC speaker models sold in Jordan shows that a reasonable, yet quality solution is in the JD80 to JD100 range, for the pair. The sound produced by speakers in the JD10 to JD20 range is very similar to playing drums on a tin can, while units costing between JD20 and JD80 are just acceptable. Compared to the initial price of a PC, saving such a little amount of money and being stuck with poor sound quality doesn't make much sense.

Speakers are the most critical components in a sound system. Speech synthesis is now often used in PC applications. Simple software is being distributed free-ofcharge that reads back the numbers you would input in a spreadsheet like Excel — a very convenient feature for those who need to double check long lists on figures without having to constantly louk up and down from the screen to their desk. The average cost of a CD-ROM disk is JD40 to JD50, and the best selling sound card is available at JD100. By comparison, quality speakers are relatively inexpensive, given their importance.

Allocate enough money to purchase good speakers. You will be rewarded with clean sound, clear speech and enjoyable music. And who knows, the very first words your PC will say may well be "thank you"

Reflections from the edge

JTV CHANNEL TWO WEEKLY PREVIEW

By Samer Ghaleb Bagaeen

- " Is this where the queue starts?" said the smartly dressed woman who walked into my local Housing Bank branch the other day.
- " Sorry, what was that you said?" replied the unsus-
- pecting bank clerk.

 "The queue. Where does the queue start?". - " I don't know what you mean." Came the expected

There has been no better a time for us, as a people and as individuals, to slow down, take it easy, and think about where we have come from, what has become of ns and wby we have become what we are so as to contemplate as to where it is we want to go from here. There truly seems no better a time to indulge in a slight amount of selfreflection.

We are told that the general economic outlook is as good as it ever will be. But can we honestly think of ourselves as being prepared, culturally, mentally, and morally, for all the changes that are about to come our way?

Everybody is busy preparing their CVs, filling out application forms and seeking funding for research and 'beneficial' projects. Everybody is doing it. And I do mean everybody. For such purposes credentials are naturally an important asset, and a track record of success and excellence should suffice. But does it? A great deal of excellence should suffice. But does it? A great deal of

Thursday, Nov. 9, 1995

Iris - The Happy Professor

The New Leave It to Beaver Gillette World Sport

Sophie Et Virginie Varieties And Game Show

Movie — Double Edge Starring: Robert Urich & Susan Lucci

Friday, Nov. 10, 1995

Fireman Sam

White Heat

Le Journal Magazine **News Headlines**

10:00 News In English

12:10 The Thorn Birds

1:00 Little Mermaids Beethoven

3:30 Bush School

Coach

10:25 Buccaneers

Telefilm

Le Journal

Magazine

African Skies

10:00 News In English

News Headlines

The Ronn Lucas Show

Gold Rush in Alaska

French Programme

Sophie Et Virginie

Sports Et Musique

11:30 Movie - Over The Moon

Blue Heelers

1 Love Lucy

Fractales

Varieties

Le Journal

Magazine

Major Dad

12:30 My Good Friend

Le Journal

Magazine

Sports Et Musique

Faut Pas Rever

News Headlines

Tarzan

Only In Hollywood

French Programme

Natural Wonders Of Europe

Starring: Robert Douglas & Rea Hainson

Saturday, Nov. 11, 1995

Back To The Future Harry And The Hendersons

Les Geants De Music-Hall

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5:30

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9:10 Wolf

The Hurricanes My Secret Identity

French Programme

Carol's Company

The Album Show The New Avengers

hard work is also, quite naturally, called for. But alas, that too is not enough. It sure helps give you a decent push if you happen to have a lot of money to start with as there always seems to be someone, or something, that gets to the top before you do. Something that jumps the queue.

But then again, what is a queue anyway?

"They will come for you eventually." You would have been told. But you cannot afford to hang around doing nothing waiting for your turn amidst the queue jumpers.

Can yon? To keep moving on trying harder and harder seems to be the best thing to do. But where to go on from here? You have certainly achieved everything that was ever expected of you. And much more for that matter. At least that was what you thought.

In the lowered and troubled gazes, one may clearly make out some of the invisible webs that we as people are liable to stumble upon as we make our way through the valleys of donbt and fear. But wisdom demands that we improve our situation, improve our relations and be a part of everything and under everyone else's skin.

What is needed above everything else is wisdom of the heart. For when the day's catch is laid on the table we must not forget to be selective. But the fictional character in a work of fiction cannot do anything on its own without the beautiful and appeared of the writer. out the knowledge and approval of the writer. But what it can do is to expose the absurd in ordinary everyday situations so as to force the onlookers to seek a truer and a more essential life for themselves.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Mohammad A. Shuqair



Kennedy was elected in 1960

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breakfast?

my office.

Lincoln was elected in 1860

Kennedy's secretary was named Lincoln

Lincoln's secretary name was Kennedy

were sbot in the presence of their wives.

Rights problem of their particular time.

- I wake up around seven o'clock.

I shave and have a bath before breakfast.

Then 1 sit and read my morning paper.



Both secretaries advised their presidents not to go to

the palaces where they were assassinated. Both men

The successor of each president was named Johnson

— Andrew Johnson, born 1808; Lyndon Johnson born

Of the two assassins, Booth was born in 1839, Oswald

Both presidents were deeply concerned with the Civil

Lincoln and Kennedy were carried to their graves on

LET'S CHAT IN ARABIC

- 1 wash my face, brush my teeth and go back to the

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- I comb my hair carefully and get ready to have my

- Finally I say goodbye to my family and make for

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was born in 1939. Both men were killed before they

MR. MCTAVISH: "Have you tried the doctor?" MRS. MCTAVISH: "Aye. He can do nothing."
MR. MCTAVISH: "Better call in the minister, then, He can get money out of anybody."

TEACHER: "What's the difference between audacity and impudence?
PUPIL: "Audacity is to have a meal at a restaurant

and flee without paying the bill!"

BANK OF KNOWLEDGE

- 1. What term is applied to a man who makes or repairs wooden barrels?
- 2. The bird Pica Pica is fond of bright things. What is its more familiar name?
- 3. Which British prime minister was assassinated in the lobby of the House of Commons in 1812?
- 4. Who was president of France throughout World War
- 5. Which of the planets has two satellites, Triton and
- 6. What is a viviparous creature?
- 7. What great catastrophe occurred on Aug. 24, AD
- 8. What is the name of the Italian city that stands on the River Po and was once capital of the Kingdom of

PUZZLES

To come up with the answer to this puzzle, add and have finished.

JOKES

* CANDY: "When I graduated from college the dean told me the world had an opening for me." TUFT: "Did you find it?"

CANDY: "You bet. I'm in a heck of a hole right



* MRS. MCTAVISH: "What will I do! What will I

do! My little John bad swallowed sixpence."

subtract the names of the object illustrated. Keep each letter in its proper order, as shown by the plus and minus signs. By the time you reach the equals sign at the end of the puzzle, you should have the correct answer. It will be a word that fits perfectly into the number of blank squares following the sign. Beside each rebus you will find a cartoon to give you some helpful hints. Check your answer with what the character says when you

Sunday, Nov. 12, 1995

First Flights
The Bold And The Beautiful
Star Trek — The Next Generation

Starring: Susan Clark & Alex Karess

News in English Movie: "Maid in America"

L'histoire Secrete Du Petrole

2:00	The Flintstones	
2:30	Joshua Jones	
2:45	Droopy Master Detective	
3:10	The Ronn Lucas Show	
3:35	Puywall's Summer	
4:00	l Love Lucy	
4:30	Tarzan	
5:00	French Programme	
	Fractales	
5:30	Entertainment	
2.50	Surprise	
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7:30 News Headlines Nurses 7:35 Dive The World 8:00 The American Chart Show 9:05 Varieties

9:30 Heartbeat 10:00 News In English 10:25 Movie — "Ghost"

Starring: Patrick Swaye & Demi Moore 12:00 Nutcracker

Music show on ice

2:00 Inspector Gadget

Monday, Nov. 13, 1995

2:30	Playabout
2:45	Hey Dad
3:05	Feature "Copacabana"
5:00	French Programme
	Fractales
5:30	Serie
	Maria Vandamme
7:00	Le Journal
7:15	Magazine
	Nimbus
7:30	News Headlines
7:35	I Love Lucy

8:25 On The Banks of Jordan 9:10 Al-Hussein... A World Tribute 10:00 News In English

Snoopy Come Home

2:30 The Ronn Lucas Show

10:25 The Wall (Roger Waters In Concert)

2:00

8:00 You Bet Your Life

Tuesday, Nov. 14, 1995

3:00	Feature — "Vice Versa"
	Starring: Judge Reinhold & Fred Savage
4:30	Step By Step
5:00	French Programme
	Variety And Entertainment
	Faites La Fate
7:00	Le Journal
7:15	Magazine
	Ushuaia
7:30	News Headlines
7:35	Keeping Up Appearances
8:00	The Royal Variety Performance
9:20	Prism
10:00	News In English
10:30	Movie: "New York Stories"

Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1995

Starring: Nick Nolte & Giancarlo Gianini

2:00	People
2:55	A Kind Of Magic
3:20	Liza Manelli
5:00	French Programme
	Fractales
5:30	Jeux
	Pago Pago
7:00	Le Journal
7:15	Magazine
	Sports Et Musique
7:30	News Headlines
8:00	Feature — "Outrageous Fortune"
	Starring: Shelley Long & Bette Midler
9:20	Facts About Jordan
10:00	News In English
10:25	Movie — "Top Gun"

12:00 Grace Under Fire

Starring: Tom Cruise & McGillis

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Beatles legacy lasting a lifetime

By David Bauder The Associated Press

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TS HARD to imagine that he Beatles were once conidered dangerous.

The long hair, the "yeahreah-yeah's," the drugs, the ponfires of albums in Alabama because John Lennon once said they were more popular than Jesus Christ, led many to believe the Beatles were a sure sign that civilisation was going Jown the drain.

Today they are cultural icons, worshipped as fervently - if not as peculiarly - as Elvis Presley.

nd be a part And, most unexpectedly, sdom of the they're back. se table we The three surviving ex-Beatles have collaborated on the most intense selfexamination since their 1970 breakup. A six-hour TV documentary will air

> from studio vaults. They include the closest thing we'll get to a reunion: Two songs left behind by the late Lennon polished into "new" Beatles songs in by Paul studio McCarmey,

later this month, quickly fol-

lowed by the release of

mee separate two-CD

packages of rare recordings

Harrison and Ringo Starr.

The Beatles never truly left, in terms of the millions of people who continue to be fascinated by them and the long shadow their influence still easts on rock 'n'

Catch a Beatles song on the radio and the words come instantly to mind, even if it's been years since you've heard them. Yesterday. Help Lucy In The Sky With Diamonds. Get Back. Something. Hey

"They represent so many

different things," said Mark Lewisohn, author of six books on the Beatles. "For some, they represent the epitome, the best of pop music. For others, they represent growing up in the 60s. For me, it all comes down to music at the end of the day. I don't think we would be talking about them so much if it wasn't for the fact that their music was. and still is, quite wonder-

So much in today's popular music landscape can be traced, at least in part, to the work of the Beatles: performers who write their own material, musicians who use the studio as creative can-

vasses, concerts in baseball stadiums, videos to promote new songs.

Blame or credit them, even, for Michael Bolton's flowing locks. The singer said he first grew his hair long because the Beatles made it cool.

The Beatles' first American appearance on the Ed Sullivan Show, on Feb. 9, 1964, may have done more to guide future careers than a year's worth of talking by school guidance counsel-

"When I saw the Beatles on the Ed Sullivan Show, I looked at them and said, 'That's it. That's what I want to do," recalled singer Billy Joel, then a teenager on Long Island.

He wasn't alone. Natalie Cole begged her bemused dad, Nat "King" Cole, for Beatles records. Members of the rock band Genesis said the band convinced them that they could be performers, not just songwrit-

Teenager Declan Mac-Manus was thrilled when his bandleader father, Ross, brought home some Beatle autographs. The boy grew up to be singer Elvis Costello, and got to write songs with Paul McCartney. The influence endures.

Tanya Donnelly of the Alternative Band Belly knew sbe wanted to play rock 'n' roll when she saw the movie Help on ber 14th birthday, It was a movie made before she was born. The lads from Liverpool

even had an influence on heavy metal. "The Beatles were the main reason I wanted to do this," says Charlie Benante, drummerguitarist-songwriter Anthrax, who heard his first Beatles song when he was about 2 years old. "I absorbed so much when I was younger and the Beatles were probably the catalyst.

"When I was around 3, almost 4, my mother took me to see A Hard Day's Night and Help sbe said I sat through it - she had to sit there twice, because I had to see it again. So I guess that's how much they influenced me."

The precocious young Beatles were angry when producer George Martin said another writer's song, How Do You Do it, should be their first single. They preferred their own songs, even though their writing hadn't progressed beyond the simplicity of Love Me Do and Please Please Me.

The rapid advancement of their writing proved those instincts correct, and the Beatles raised songwriting to new heights in rock 'n' roll. Because, before the Beatles and Boh Dylan, it was rare for performers to write their own material. Today, the opposite is true.

They really established the paradigm of the selfcontained group — the group that played its own instruments, wrote its own songs, controlled its own artistic destiny and controlled its own sort of musical packaging," said Robert Palmer, author of the new book, Rock 'N' Roll — An Unruly History. The Lennon-McCartney

songwriting team was a perfect blend of rock 'n' roll energy (John) and classic pop smarts (Paul), be said. Echoes of their melodic style can be beard throughout almost all of today's guitar-based rock 'n' roll: It's beneath the punk energy of green day, the distorted guitars of Nirvana and the bittersweet tunes of the Gin Blossoms. "Beatlesque" is a favonrite adjective for crit-

England's hottest new bands, Oasis and Blur, have a "rivalry" that's been compared to the Beatles and Rolling Stones but they agree on one thing: Their debt to the Beatles. Oasis even named a song, Wonderwall, after an obscure Harrison solo album.

"It's no longer unhip to say you like the Beatles or they've influenced he said. you," author Lewisohn said. Lewisohn was frustrated "As a matter of fact, it's in researching the Beatles

The surviving Beatles, Paul McCartney, Ringo Starr and George Harrison in 1995 because it was impossible to bers), it's the subject of unifind an interview in 1963 or But the thought of being a trend was repugnant to the 1964 where their music was Beatles. And after growing taken seriously. That all sick of screaming fans drowning out their live perchanged with the release of Sgr. Pepper's Lonely Hearts formances, they stopped Club Band in 1967. Rock rebearsing toward the end, 'n' roll was taken seriously figuring why bother? John, Paul, George and Ringo as an art form — and the

summer of love found its

their greatest works. This alternately melancbolic, terrifying and exhil-They invited orchestras to their sessions, dabbled in arating record captured as Indian instruments, used no other the complex texbackward tape loops and tures of its time: a superexperimented charged, corrosively contrawith ideas and technology. dictory summer when hippies grooved at the For the final, 53-second Monterey Pop Festival, black emotions exploded in fadeout of A Day In The Life, three pianos struck the riots in Detroit and Newark, same note simultaneously. It and a war grew bloodier in took nine takes to get it

Vietnam.

anthem.

The Beatles competed Youthful listeners somehow beard all of this in Sgt. furionsly with peers like Dylan, the Stones, the Pepper -- an album whose Beach Boys and Byrds, fosthemes included eastern cultering a dialogue at the top ture, sweet and terrifying levels of music that is often psychedelic fantasies, the widening gulf between emulated but never re-creatyoung and old and, above ed, Palmer said. "The Beatles opened up all, loneliness.

this whole atmosphere of experimentation in the con-Sgt. Pepper sold 2.5 miltext of pop records that for a lion records in its first three brief time really flowered in months and stayed on the charts for a staggering 113 a very public way. ... It didn't happen (for) very long,"

Today, rock music has its own hall of fame (with the Beatles, of course, as mem-

versity courses and the latest albums are covered exhaustively in newspapers, magazines and on-line.

Beatles. Most music sections in book stores have more works on the Beatles than any other artist. Lewisohn's meticulous

iome, The Complete Beatles Chronicle, takes 365 pages to detail the band's career day-by-day: which songs they recorded, where they performed, what interviews they gave.

dozens of letters from fans wbo said it wasn't enough. Please give us more.

remarks bring out fiercely defensive fans. Palmer is still getting flak for the suggestion, in a PBS documentary be recently produced. that maybe rock 'n' roll music didn't need to be

All of this devotion is not losi on Capitol Records executives. They released the Live At The BBC CD last year as a "test run" for the anthology CDs and were stunned when it sold more

than 5 million copies, said vice president.

And it seems no information is too trivial about the

Still. Lewisohn

Even mildly critical "saved" by the Beatles.

For his own safety, don't ask him what be thinks of Sgt. Pepper.

Bruce Kirkland, executive They always knew the

Beatles were loved, but were delighted bow the test run transferred into a bunger for new material. They salivare over marketing studies that show the Beatles are the favourite group among VH-I viewers and the second favourite of MTV viewers

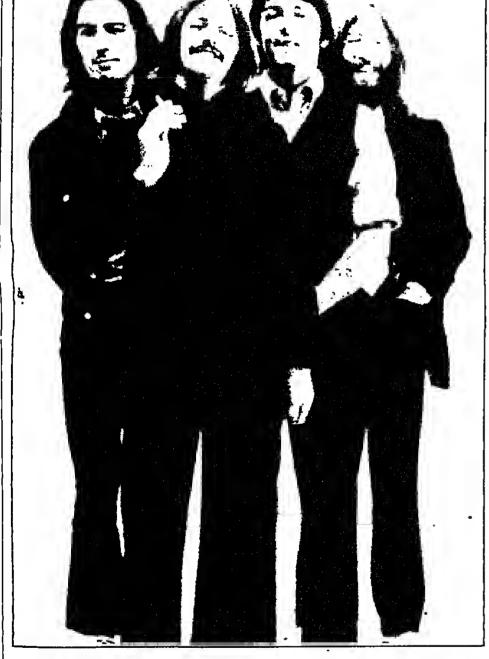
- two groups that rarely share the same stereo. So the Beatles and their representatives have readied a marketing blitz that may make bypemeister Michael Jackson envious. Actually.

Jackson will see green either way, since he owns the publishing rights to the Lennon-McCartney catalogue and stands to profit from the new interest. The plan is centred around making sure 3 million

copies of the first CD anthology are in stores by Nov. 20, the day after one of the new Beatles songs, Free As A Bird, is first heard on television. How's the new song?

Don't ask Kirkland. He swears security is so tight that be hasn't heard it.

"It turned out fabulous," said one hiased observer. Ringo Starr. "It turned out just like the Beatles. Why not?"



The Beatles in 1969

saintly beauty Memling —

By Jean-Marc Dupuich

The painter Memling in Bruges in The Belgian town, with which his name is intimately linked, paid homage to him through an exhibition, held, not in the former Hospital Saint-Jean which, for more than five centuries, has housed a large number of his works, but in the Groeninge Museum, which is so rich in Flemish paintings.

PARIS — At that time, Flanders belgoned to Burgundy and Bruges was he second capital of the Dakes of Burgundy. hilippe the Good founded he Order of the Golden lecce there, on the day when he married Isabelle of ortugal. The town thrived. was an important finanal centre and drew trope's rich bankers and merchants. Osperous inters, whom historians fere later to call the lemish Primitives, meanag that they were the first mes to exert their talents

"on a panel or on canvas", gave the town its artistic splendour. After Van Eych, who died in 1441, came the era of Memling, who was celebrated as "the most famous painter in Christendom", as was said in Latin in his funeral eulo-

Little is known about Memling except that he was born between 1430 and 1440 near Mainz, in that region of Germany called Franconia. He probably studied at the studio of Stefan Lochner in Cologne and he certainly frequented that of Rogier de la Pasture (Van der Weyden) in Brussels. In 1465 he settled in Bruges where he died in 1494. By bringing his own reputation, he certainly contributed to the golden age of the town. But, he also lived through the first decade of the decline, without his creation being affected by it. He opposed permanence and beauty, to wars, disease and famine.

For "all is but order and beauty, luxury and calm" and saintliness. The Middle Ages were Christian and medieval painting was Christian. Memling painted Nativities, Virgins, Adorations of the Magi, Passions and Crucifixions. Even in portraits (and he was a sought-after portraitpainter), the subject often adopted a pose in prayer. The rich donors of the religious compositions, abbots and abbesses or bourgeois town-councillors or nobles, are often represented as onlookers to the religious scene, kneeling beneath the protection of their patron saint who can be recognised by his attributes: Saint Catherine's broken wheel and sword, Saint Barbara's tower, Saint Agnes's lamb, Saint Mark's or Saint Jerome's lion, Saint Antony's tau and pig, etc.

11,000 virgins

Painting the order and beauty of the world means revealing the Creator in his creation. Placing the Virgin and Child in front of drapes of honour, beneath a purple velvet canopy with a crown of gold and diamonds, clothing the saints in brocade and dalmatics, means

Heaven. This luxury is not a sign of debauchery. It is a sober display, an image of Paradise. The bodies are elegant and the faces, showing a serious calm, are in the shape of an ideal oval in which shadows fade away. But this painter of heavenly beauty is also an attentive

realist. Usual or precious' objects and namerous musical instruments are depicted with precision. The background of the paintings is taken up by a landscape or a town bustling with everyday netivity. In the Saint John the Baptist and Saint John the Evangelist altar piece (1479), also known by the name of Saint Mystical Catherine's Marriage, in the distance, between two columns framing the religious scene, one can see a crane raising wine casks, measured by the monks of Saint-Jean Hospital.

Memling, faithful to the medieval tradition and carrying it to perfection, also enjoys telling stories. The Passion (1470), kept in announcing the Kingdom of the narrative genre. In an and the rigging.

imaginary Jerusalem, hut built of real architectural elements, he retraces the different moments of the Passion, placing the flagellation in the centre of the painting and the other events in the niches of the buildings, using the city gates to show the triumphant entry of Christ in the background, in the top left-hand corner, and his fall beneath the weight of the cross, at the bottom on the right, in the foreground.

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This art of narrative composition reaches an almost miniaturised climax in Saint Ursula's shrine (1489). On the six panels of the reliquary, Memling relates the naval voyage of the young princess and the eleven thousand virgins who are her companions, and then their martyrdom beneath the arrows of the Huns in Cologne, which can be recognised by its most famous monuments, depicted with as much detail as Turin, is a masterpiece of the costumes, the armour



Jeanne De France having a vision of Virgin Mary and the Child by the flemish painter Memling

Moderate obesity found to pose little risk for elderly

By Paul Raeburn
The Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, Louisiana - Being slightly overweight poses little risk for men and women over 70 it's being thinner than normal that can be dangerous, a study found.

Using a formula hased on height and weight, researchers found the risk of mortality to be high in underweight adults, rising sharply the leaner they

It was not clear why thinness was associated with greater mortality. The researchers excluded from the study older people known to have diseases that would cause them to lose

For the person 20 pounds overweight, the risk is not there," said one of the study's authors, Dr. Steven Heymsfield of St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital in New York. On the other hand, he said, "if you're underweight

The risks begin to rise for elderly who are 50 pounds (23 kilogrammes) to 75 pounds (34 kilogrammes) overweight, Dr. Heymsfield

The findings are particularly important because other studies have shown that many elderly believe they are overweight when they are not, and many moderately overweight elderly are trying to lose weight. This study suggests they may not need to.

Researchers have known for some time that the leanest and the heaviest people at younger ages have the highest risks of mortality. It was not clear whether the same held true for the elder-

The study by Dr. Heymsfield and David Allison shows that it doesn't; the risks associated with obesity decline except

and elderly, be concerned. It among the extremely obese might be wise to get elderly, who still face an increased mortality risk.

Dr. Heymsfield said many moderately overweight elderly might still choose to lose weight even though it would not change their mor-

"I've found that some elderly, when they lose weight, feel better," he said. "It may not increase longevity, but they lose 10 or 20 pounds (4 1/2 or 9 kilogrammes) and they say they can walk around the block, when they couldn't before."

Studies bave shown that Americans gain weight gradually as they age until about 65, when the populanon begins to lose weight. The researchers had no clear explanation for this tendency.

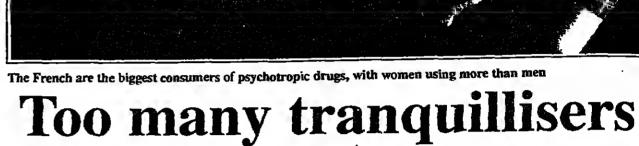
An analysis of life insurance data in 1985 found that the weight associated with the lowest mortality risk also increased gradually

with age.
Dr. George Bray of the Biomedical Pennington Research Centre in Baton Rouge cautioned that studies such as Dr. Heymsfield's can be distorted by the fact that by age 70, the heaviest people might already have died.

In a separate study, Dr. Heymsfield and Dympna Gallagher found that people in their 70s who lost weight involuntarily were losing a high percentage of muscle tissue. In contrast, older people who go on diets intentionally to lose weight lose mostly fat, not muscle and bone.

The study of mortality

risks in aging was based on a seven-year follow-up of 2,829 men and 4,568 women. Researchers gathered information on their height and weight, dates of death during the study period, and on their eating habits and their general



Detailed meal plan, new exercise regime improves dieters' weight loss

By Paul Raeburn The Associated Press BATON ROUGE, Louisiana — Women in a weekly diet programme lost 50 per cent more weight, snacked less and bought more froits and vegetables when given detailed meal plans and gro-

lists, researchers

researchers also that women who were told to exercise in 10minute bouts four times a day exercised more and lost more weight than women told to exercise for 40 minutes once a day.

Rena Wing, a psychologist at the University of Pittsburgh and one of the studies' authors, described the findings at the annual meeting of the North American Association for the Study of Obesity.

The women given detailed meal instructions and shop-

SPORTS FINAL

ACROSS

By Lee G. Barrow

By Harold B. Counts

weight-loss meetings lost about 26 pounds (12 kilogrammes) in 26 weeks. compared with a weight loss of 17 1/2 pounds (8 kilogrammes) in women who went to similar meetings but were not given the same detailed eating instructions, Ms. Wing said.

A year after the study ended, both groups had regained weight, but the women who had received the meal plans were still about 15 pounds (7 kilogrammes) below where they had started, compared with about 7 pounds (3 kilogrammes) in the others.
"It's a dramatic difference

in weight control," Ms. Wing said. "It also led to more regular eating" after the study ended. Women had more fruits and vegetables in their bomes, and they were more likely to eat about nutrition and given to exercise in longer stretch-breakfast and lunch regular-tricks to help with such es lost about 13 pounds (6 ly and avoid snacks, Ms. problems as staying on diets kilogrammes).

WEEKEND CROSSWORD

Wing said. The findings suggest that structured weight-loss regimens are generally likely to be more effective than flexible plans, she said. Patrick O'Neil, a psychol-

ogist and director of the Weight Management Centre at the Medical University of South Carolina, said the study "certainly does show pretty convincingly that the more structure that can be provided to the weight manager - I don't like the word dieter' - the better."

All of the women in Ms. Wing's studies participated in a 26-week series of weekly meetings aimed at changing their dieting and exercise behaviour. They were told to eat 1,000 to 1,500 calories per day and

They were also educated

during holidays and coping with non-dieting spouses. A total of 163 women participated in the study of meal

In a separate study of 56 women also on the standard weekly programme, Ms. Wing's University of Pittsburgh colleague, John Jakicic, told half of the subjects to increase their exercise until they were doing four 10-minute bouts per day. The other half were instructed to gradually increase exercise in a single bout until it reached 40 minutes per day. Most of the women chose walking for their exercise.

The women who exercised in sbort bouts exercised more overall and lost about 20 pounds (9 kilogrammes) after 26 weeks. The women who were told

ing these pills daily are depression (44 per cent). women". The latter use anti-By Jean-Marc Dupuich The French are wards, prisoners and homedepressants and sleepingless persons do not figure sleeping problems (25 per among the "8,200 ordinary households" questioned. known to be great consumers of psychotropic drugs. A recent survey by the French National Institute of Statistics and Economic Studies (INSEE) the Centre households" questioned. Out of that number, 11.3 per cent) and anxiety or worry (16 per cent). There is also the combined feeling of iso-lation and lack of hope in lives as bousewives. cent suffer and have taken a psychotropic drug every day for at least six months. the future (36 per cent for

(INSEE), the Centre for Research, Studies and Documentation in Health Economics (CREDES) and the Ministry of Health have established the portrait of the eleven adults out of a hundred who regularly use this kind of drug. The ill is often social in nature and unemployment is often so ployment is often a contributing factor.

PARIS — Take 21,600 adults, who are representative of the French population. In fact, they are nnly representative of the greater part of the population as people in retirement bomes, those interned in psychiatric

At the time of the survey. more than half of them had started their treatment at least five years ago and one third ten or more years ago, consuming an average of "20 packets a year". Moreover, a quarter of these 11.3 per cent combine different drugs, taking "two or more kinds of these medicines.

Fsychotropic drugs are pharmaceutical products whose purpose is to help people cope despite psychological problems. They represent a large family of drugs which are available on prescription only. The main drugs in this area are tranquillisers, followed, in order, by sleeping-pills and then anti-depressants. The main reasons given for takeach of these two symp-

The unemployed and housewives

Generally women use more psychotropic drugs than men. Those aged 60 or over take more than those who are younger. Widowers living alone consume more than divorced men living alone and the unemployed take more than those who are gainfully employed. However, although the survey shows that women out of work are more vulnerable than those who bave a job. "the ratio of regular consumers among housewives is slightly higher than pills, while the former take tranquillisers in order to be able to put up with their With men, unemployment

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results in a clear break. Unemployed men use three times as many psychotropic drugs. They use tranquillisers on a large scale whereas, contrary to commonly held beliefs, treatment with antidepressants is rare. Earlier observations already indicated that recourse to medical care and bospital treatment, as well as the consumption of pharmaceuticals increased with unemployment, "with the notable exception of treatment for depression". It is as if it was unfortunately inevitable and could only be cured by a new stable job.

The moral of the survey is that "the better the social integration, the weaker the recourse to psychotropic drugs —L'Actualite En

Scientists find new evidence for homosexuality gene in men

By Malcolm Ritter The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Scientists have found new evidence that a gene inherited from mothers helps make men study that made headlines in 1993.

'Our result says that genes are involved in mide sexual orientation, althnugh they certainly do not determine a person's sexual ori-entation." said Dean Hamer, an author of the study.
"There probably are other

biological factors like hormones, for example, and other variables we simply don't know anything about

The study follows others that have suggested a biological influence in sexual orientation, but scientists still can't explain what makes a person homosexu- Cambridge, Massachusetts.

al, heterosexual or bisexual. The latest study does not identify a specific gene. But like Hamer's 1993 study, it suggests such a gene resides in a particular region of the X Chromosome, one of the homosexual, bolstering a - microscopic thread-like structures that carry genes. Mcn inherit the X Chromosome from their mothers.

Hamer said there was no way in know how strongly the gene influences the development of homosexuality in men. Researchers looked for such an effect in women but found no evidence for it.

Hamer, a researcher at the National Cancer Institute. reports the work in the November issue of the journal Nature Genetics with colleagues at the institute, the University of Cnlorado and the Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research in

of the clinical neurogenetics branch of the National Institute of Mental Health, said the work does not prove such a gene exists in the chromosome segment, but it is suggestive.

Dr. Elliot Gershon, chief

The study focused on a region of the X Chromosome that had been identified by the 1993 study.

In a man, this region can get its genetic material from either of his mother's two X Chromosome versions. As a result, two brothers normally have about a 50-50 chance of sharing the same version of the genetic material within this region.

Hamer and colleagues examined 32 pairs of exclusively or mostly homosexual brothers from unrelated families. Twenty-two pairs, or two-thirds, shared the same version of the genetic material, suggesting that it contains a gene predispos-

ing to homosexuality.
By the same logic, Hamer said that if gay brothers

sbared a version containing a bomosexuality gene, then any beterosexual brother of theirs would probably have a different version. The study showed that was the case in nine of 11 families studied.

Hamer said that by focusing on families with two gay brothers, the researchers were more likely to find a genetic effect on homosexuality than if they studied a broader popula-tion. The study also exclud-ed bisexual people to sim-plify analysis.

"This study is an impor-tant addition to the growing body of evidence indicating

body of evidence indicating a biological basis for homosexuality in some people. Beth spokesperson for National Gay and Lesbian

Task Force.

Researcher: Dieting impairs memory

LONDON (AP) - Dieting is bad for a person's memory and powers of concentration, according to tests carried out at the government's Institute of Food Research.

But the dips in mental performance are not bad enough to cause practical harm like losing someone their job, according to Mike Green, the psychologist who conducted the research programme at the institute

at Reading 60 kilometres west of London. It's nothing to do with poor nutrition or lack of energy. The cause is purely psychological, the Science magazine New Scientist

quoted him as saying. "The effects are similar to anxiety. Constantly think-

ing about food and worrying about diet means that dieters don't have enough mental processing capacity to deal with tasks properly," he said.

The Oct. 14 issue of the weekly magazine described the tests conducted by Mr. Green at the institute on a total of some 350 volunteers, both dieters and nondicters,

He tested their mental performance in areas including memory, vigilance, reaction time and mental processing capacity.

"The deficits we saw were invariably in subjects who said they were on diets," he

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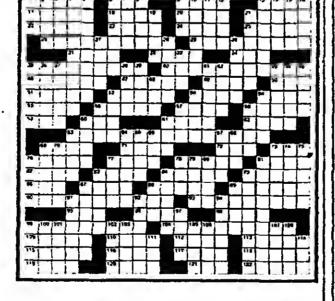
laying eggs).
7. The eruption of Vesuvius, causing the destruction of Pompeii. Herculaneum and Stabiae. 8. Torino.

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By Isabel Kershner

BLOCK 30197, Parcel 48 is an overgrown patch of land near a disused railway track in the now largely gentrified and exclusive West Jeru-salem neighbourhood of Baka. Its area of 631 square metres is large enough to build a small apartment block, and it is likely worth a fortune — certainly over \$1 million. The land belongs to the Development Authority, a branch of the Israel Lands Authority according to Israeli law, at

The family of Radwan Hussein Al-Tabakhi has a problem with that. In 1946, Tabakhi, a merchant from Hebron, bought the plot from a Mr. Barakat for 1,425 Palestinian pounds. The details of the transaction are recorded to Israel's and registry which dates back to Ottoman times, and is known by its Turkish name of Tabu

After the 1948 war, the Tabakhis ended up on the other side of the border, in the West Bank. Like the property of thousands of other Palestinians who fled West Jerusalem and its surrounding villages as a result of the war, or who owned bouses and land in the city but lived in the West Bank, the Tabakhi plot lay abandoned. Eventually Radwan's family moved to Amman; all that remained of the Tabakhi connection to Baka was a page in the

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Tabu ledgers. In the meantime, the young state of Israel stepped in. Left with whole neighbourhoods of empty houses and abandoned plots, and faced with an nflux of Jewish immigrants who desperately needed accommodation, the Knesset passed the Absentees' Property law io 1950. The law, still in effect, allows for all abandoned property to be held in trust by the state, to be administrated by a government appointee known as the Custodian for

Absentee Property.
An "absentee" s defined as a person who, at any time between November 29, 1947 and the day on which the state of emergen-cy declared in 1948 ceases to exist, became a national or citizeo of an Arab country; visited an Arab country; or simply left his ordinplace of residence in Palestine "for a place outside Palestice hefore September 1, 1948." Israel has not, to this day, cancelled the state of emergency. Its continued existence is largely theoretical - except when it comes to issues such as military censorship of the

press and the Absentees' Property Law. According to the law, the status of the custodian is the same "as was that of the owner of the property. The custodian may hold on to property, sell it to the Development Authority or lease it out. Any proceeds from these transactions, minus legal and administrative expenses, are to be held in trust by the custodian io a special fuod -presumably for the absentees, until the ome when the state of emergency is

declared over. Radwan Tabakhi and his heirs may not have known the ins and outs of the law, but they have oot forgotten the plot by the railway track. And for the

The West Jerusalem file

In 1948, the Arab residents of West Jerusalem left in a hurry, abandoning thousands of houses and plots of land. This property, now Jewish-owned,

Tabakhis, after 47 years

away, the Israeli-Jordanian

peace treaty signed 12

months ago changed the whole picture. This sum-

mer, they came to Jeru-salem from Amman to find

oot what had bappened to

their land, learning that in

the 1950s, it had been trans-

ferred to the Development Authority. "They came to see if, with the peace pro-

cess, Israel will give up it up, relates Radwao

Tabakhi's nephew Rubhi,

who still lives in Hebroo.

The Tabakhis' quest took them to Israeli officials, to

Oricot House - the

Palestiniao headquarters in

Jerusalem — and to the

Jordanian embassy in Tel

Aviv. In Jordan, friends

had been telling them that if

they went to Jerusalem,

they would come back with

\$4 or \$5 million. This time,

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page from the Tabu reg-

Geographer Khalil

Tufakji is the Palestinian

point man at Orient House

who deals with lands lost

and properties claims. Oo

his office wall hangs a map

of Jerusalem, with Jewisb

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Tafakji who steered the

Tabakhis through the Tabu

hureaucracy during their visit to Israel, helpiog them

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ing a file on their behalf.
Tufakji points out that
some of the toniest Jewish

residential districts in West

Jerusalem - Baka, Tali-biah, the German Colony,

Katamoo — were mainly

Arab before 1948. Beneath

the renovations and exten-

sions of the past 40 years,

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houses are still apparent,

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built in those days, they

built big," he remarks.
The main thrust of Arab

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"The idea," Tufakji notes,

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Wheo the wealthy people

includes some of the most valuable real estate in Jerusalem. With peace, many former owners expect to be compensated — and Jordan's

ambassador to Israel is taking up their case. The following article, which appeared in the Israeli magazine The Jerusalem Report, examines the issue.

May 1948, as Iraqi volun-tcers waited down the hill in the German Colony for the Embassy on West Jerusalem's Hebron Road. The Palestinians for the most part recognise West Jerusalem as Israel's sovereign capital. Politically, the PLO's sights are trained on the east of the city, where Yasser Arafat wants to establish the capitto most the Jewish nadonal al of a future Palestinian state. But that doesn't erase institutions. Villa Harun Al Rashid. the fact that many Palesti-

nians once owned property in the west. "Since the peace process, and since Mr. Husseini opened the West Jerusalem file, a lot of people have been turning to us," says Tufakji, a laconic man with mustache and round glasses. "My joh is to help

Just how much absentee property exists in West Jerusalem — or indeed, in the rest of Israel — seems to be something of a wellarded state secret. Khalil Tufakji says there are 5,700 Palestinian houses, and claims that within the municipal boundaries of today's West Jerusalem, which includes the one-time villages of Malha, Ein Kerem, Lifta and Beit Safafa, over 70 per cent of the land was once Arab-owned - although it might not all have been properly registered in Tabu, for tax reasons, by its original owners.

Tufakji says his informatioo has been backed up by Meron Benvenisti, a leftwing former deputy mayor of Jerusalem. But Benevenisti, when contacted by the Jerusalem Report, said he has no special knowledge of the subject.

The only person who knows the full extent and real value of absentee property in the city is the custodian himself, Yehezkel Shamas, who has been just Shamas told the Report that since he deals with personal files, the information he holds is restricted; specific files may only be released by court order. "I rarely agree to meet with journalists," he said on the phone. "This isn't my personal bugbear. I'm covered

by the law on this one." In what are now known as the "old" areas of West Jerusalem, each of the grander mansions has a tale of its own, richly told in the tomes of "Jerusalem Architecture," the six-volume work by Jerusalem

architect David Kroyanker. There's the two-story Villa Harun Al Rashid in the Talbiah neigbbourhood, built in 1926 as two apartments for rent in ornate Thousand and One Nights" style by Haoa Bisharah, one of two brothers who owned extensive property in Talibiah. Toward the end of the British Mandate, the house served as a command base for the Royal Air Force. In

British to depart, British officers transferred the house to the Haganah. The Haganah couldn't let Talibiab fall, since this was the corridor from the German Colony to Rehaviah, home

along with dozens of other properties in the area, became "absentee property." In the 1960s, the govern-ment housed Golda Meir, then foregin minister, in the upper apartment. Two other ministers lived there during different periods. Situated in a prime location next to what is today the Jerusalem Theatre complex, the house now has a third story and contains luxurious private apartments. (Ironically, the current proprietor of the top floor is a right-winger who flies the Israeli flag permanently at half-mast to protest the peace process).

Then there's "Salameh's palace" - an imposing mansion built in the 1930s by the merheant and building contractor Constantine Salameh, also in Talbiah, close to where the residence of Israel's presidents was subsequently built. Before leaving for Lehanon in 1948, Salameh had the foresight to rent his family home to the Belgian consul general; to this day it serves as a Belgian Consulate annex. Thus Salameh got around the absentee property law and, according to Kroyanker, was recently able to sell this and another Jerusalem property to the

sumably for a handsome Publisher Reuven Mass, and mas head of the Jewisi residents committee of Talbiah in 1948, recalls in his memoirs how, following a shooting incident on the outskirts of Talbiab in May 1948, the neighbourhood emptied of Arab residents overnight. Jewish refugees from battle-torn areas in the north and east of the city started streaming to the neighbourhood and were billeted in the abandoned homes, often four families

Israeli government - pre-

During the 1950s and 60s, Kroyanker relates, there was a slow population exchange. Wealthier families who could afford to buy out the refugees and renovate the Arab houses moved in. and turned them into oneor two-family homes. The government took over many apartments, and contactors got rights to whole houses and began to add on

to an apartment.

Talbiah is now strictly for the well-heeled. House prices prices in Jerusalem are already high; but for the much sought-after "Arab

houses," the sky is the limit. "People are specifically interested in acquiring them, but there are hardly any on the market," notes one Jerusalem real, estate

In Baka, there is one 12-room, two-story house set in a large garden cur-reotly on the market. The asking price: \$2.7 million.
The peace process is be-

passing academic interest in the Absentees' Property

Law. In the cramped suite

at the seafront Dan Hotel

that serves as his temporary

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he said io an interview with

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'Israel proper,' that is with-in the pre-1967 borders, is a

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He stresses that be is only

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Dr. Muasher, like every-

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ginning to rattle the status quo of almost five decades, during which most abandoned properties were reregistered in Tabu under new ownership. Some are on long-term renewable leases from the Amidar government housing corporation. Many owners have since bought the rights from Amidar, For Israel, this is a true can of worms which, once opened, could have tremendous ramifications. The claims do not stop in West Jerusalem they extend to Jaffa, to Haifa, and indeed, to villages that no longer exist. Jordan's ambassador to

Israel, Marwan Muasher, eaused a mini-rumpus among American Jewish leaders at a recent seminar in Amman when he raised the issue of compensation for abandoned Arab property to Israel, and suggested that the future of Jordanian-Israeli relations was conditional on resolution of this problem, "People jumped at me for opening up 1948 issues," Dr. Muasher told The Report soon after bis return to Tel Aviv. "But these issues were never closed. The question of property in Israel is different from the question of sovereignty."
Not surprisingly, Dr.
Muasher has more than a

the Israeli Foreign Ministr received any response.

Muasber - whose family never owned any property in Israel - the Absentees' Property Law has become a source of genuine indignation. "Israel itself admits that this property does not belong to it, and that it should be returned wheo the state of emergency has ceased to exist. We bave since signed a peace treaty," be says, his voice rising in exasperation, "and the question is, if Israel still won't return this property now, when will it do this? No official body in Israel

seems ready to even face these questions. Having had a request for a meeting with the custodian turned down. The Report addressed specific quescions to him via the Finance Ministry, under whose auspices be operates. The Finance Ministry's response was that the Absentees' Proper-

that Jordanians expect to be

"I personally have been approached by many Jordanians. I'm constantly asked about this in Jordan, and so is the government. I'm not saying they expect necessarily to get their property back, but they do expect the question of compensa-tion, to be resolved, case by case. This is not a political luxury. It's a real concern of

the man in the street." Dr. Muasher does see some room for optimism. First, he points out, io the treaty it signed with Jordan. Israel agreed that it will seek to resolve the refugee issue in accordance with joternational law, when permanent status talks with the Palestinians begin in May 1996. Second, the very fact that Israel has such a thing as a custodian of absentee property. Dr. Muasher suggests, constitutes an admission on the state's part that it is holding property that does not be-

Dr. Muasher takes particular exception to the law passed in the Knesset last November ratifying the peace treaty with Jordan, in which it was stated that the absentees' property law would not apply to Jorda-nians who acquired property in Israel after November 1994. The law reaffirms the absentee status of all other Jordanian property-owners in Israel — something that Dr. Muasher views as discriminatory, and contrary to the terms of the treaty in which each side pledged to remove all discriminatory legislation from its statute

Io the opening shot of what amounts to a campaigo, Ambassador Muasher recently wrote to protesting the 1994 law, and asking for its repeal. Three weeks later, he had still not In the meantime, for Dr.

ty Law is the business of the Justice Ministry. Justice Minister David Liba'i, in turn, refused to be interviewed or answer specific quesoons that were sent to him, saying that he is no

expert on the subject and

that the questions should be

directed 10 the Finance

Many Palestinians now living in East Jerusalem or (other parts of) the West Bank seem to view their old property claims as history. Dr. Amin Majjaj, a resired East Jerusalem pediatrician who several months ago was named as the head of a rogue East Jerusalem city council set up by Yasser Arafat to challenge Israeli sovereignty over all of Jerusalem told The Benor salem — told The Report that his family had land in what is now the booming commercial district of Talpiot, "But we have forgot-ten all about it," he declared. Asked if he expects eventual compensation for it, he replied: "As I said, we've forgotten all about

Others, like Yasser Odeh from Bethlehem, have not quite forgotten while they went about huilding new lives and homes. Odeh was 9 when his family left their house and land in the village of Malha in 1948. He recalls that when "the trouhles" began, people in the village spoke about bringing guns to protect them-selves. "But the Jordanian volunteers told us to leave the village, and leave the fighting to them," Odeh re-lates. "Malha had about 5,000 residents. We all left at the same time. My family came to Bethlehem."

In 1951, Odeh says, a delegation of villagers returned to Malha to see what village was empty, and valuable furniture inside the houses had gone, the men were scared away by shots fired by Israeli guards. Soon after, the Israeli government moved Jewish refugees from Iraqi Kurdistan into the houses in Malha — many of whom have remained there to this

After 1967, when the West Bank fell into Israeli hands and the border with Israel was opened, Odeh returned to Malha to see the house. "The Jewish in-habitants shut the door in my face and told me not to eome hack," he says. "Since then, I haven't tried again. But I see the house from a distance. It's still there, though rooms have been added on."

Today. Maiha, a 10minute drive from central Jerusalem and a similar distance from Bethlehem, is flourishing. Many homes in the old village have been gentrified. A hrand-new neighbourhood has been

huilt alongside it, and at the bottom of the hill sits the Jerusalem Mall, the higgest shopping mall in the Middle

Odeh says that his family owned 50 dunams of land in the area, some where the mall now stands some in the residential neighbourhood. He produces a plasoe hag containing folded yellowed pages. There's a deed of sale from 1939 for a patch of land in the hadaha, the "bomp" that is now the new residential district; British tax receipts from 1943, 1944 and 1945; and a few pages from Tahu showing land registrations by Odeh's father, Rashid Islamil. signed with inky thumb-

The Odeh's patch of land in the hadaba cost 50 Palestinian pounds in 1939. Single penthouse apartments are selling there now for upwards of \$500,000.
Yasser Odeh is today the

father of nine sons and three daughters. He has a sprawling four-story home with huge verandas and a stunning view, and a thriving car electronics husiness that his sons run in the gas station on the main road into Bethlehem. He says he would never take money for his family property in Malha. But he claims he would "give up everything just to live in a cave" where he was born.

Khalil Tufakji, Faisal Hussein's property expert. is typically laconic when asked about an eventual solution. "We can't speak about money," he said. "A thousand Palestinian pounds then is probably worth the equivalent of \$20 now, while the new houses are selling for hundreds of thousands of dollars,"

For Amhassador Muasher, the solution is also far from clear-cut. He vehemently rejects an often-made Israeli argu-ment that Jews left behind vast amounts of prperty when they left the Arah countries to come to Israel, and that the mutual claims will in the end cancel each other out. "There is not a single Jewish house in Jordan," he declares, "so in our case, the quid pro quo doesn't work."

The key, to Dr. Muasher, is the custodian and his fund, built up from all the absentees' property since 1948. "Where is this fund?" he asks, "and how large is it? Nobody knows." He stresses that he is not

approaching the issue in a confrontational spirit, and that he has no interest in scare-mongering. "A reasonable solution has, of course, to be negotiated, but we want the principle to be applied. With a peace treaty. Jordanian citizens should no longer be considered absentees. Then we can sit down and talk." No. Dr. Muasher agreed

good-humoredly, the wellheeled residents of 1990s Talbiah probably won't end up being turned onto the streets. And perhaps it isn't realistic to expect claims to be settled on an individual case-hy-case basis rather than a government-togovernment settlement.

But "If the custodian is a real custodian, and if his fund is really a fund," Dr. Muasher suggests, then there is obviously something to talk about.

New suspects held in Rabin assassination

in some people Beth (Continued from page 1) have reason to fear for his life for his role in peacemaking with Palestimans, which has been accompanied by attacks on Israelis by Arabs who oppose the peace process. 'Any Jew that brings other

Jews to a situation where they are afraid to take buses, alraid to walk on the street. any leader that does that has to be afraid that someone will get upset and kill him," he told the Associated Press.

Mr. Federman distanced , shot by Jone himself from the murder of Mr. Rabin, but added he was not unbappy about it. To me, Rabio was a murderer. I wouldn't kill him

president from but I'm not a guy to be sad about his death," he said. (as distinct from At Wednesday's meeting, Cabinet heard the findings of g the destruction a first Shin Bet probe ioto what went wrong when Mr. Rabin was shot dead at a peace rally in Tel Aviv. The Shin Bet, Israel's domestic security agency, is in charge of protecting Israel's leaders

and also keeps tabs on Jewish CXtremiere The report said Mr. Rabin's bodyguards failed to form a homan shield around the premier and that unanthorised people were allowed

in the stairway to the terrace from which Mr. Rabin spoke

Confronted with the findings, the head of the Shin Bet Wednesday and the agent in rotectioo branch resigned charge of Mr. Rahin's bodyguards was suspended, government sources said.

Two lower-ranking agents, one in charge of coordination with police and the other in charge of security at Saturday's rally, were to be transferred to other jobs, the sources said.

The cabinet decided to set up an official commission of inquiry, with powers of subpoena. The panel will look into why the Shin Bet did not have better intelligence on Jewish extremists, including potential assassins, and bow the gunman got so close to Mr. Rabin, said Cabinet Secretary Shmuel Hollander.

"When we have such a failure, the issue must be investigated thoroughly and must not be covered up," Mr. Peres told the cabinet. In the new campaign against Jewish extremists,

Justice Minister David Libai

is putting together a plan to

place the task of prosecuting

them ioto the hands of one government body.
The Shin Bet report sug-

and in the adjacent parking gested that Mr. Rahin's bodyguards were not properly prepared for attacks by Jews on the prime minister and were too focused on acting against Arab

Israel army radio said Wednesday that just before the rally, the Shin Bet had received fresh warnings that a Palestinian militant might try and kill Mr. Rabin. The Shin Bet report also

found that the agency's datahase of Jewish extremists and possible attackers was too small and that it had failed to identify many of those who took part in violent antigovernment demonstrations. Fresh graffiti on a wall in Jerusalem read: "Rahin was a victim of peace. Peres is next in line. Peres is continuing on the path of Hitler, the Nazi." The graffiti carried the logo of the Kach

group, a elenched fist inside a star of David. The seribbled warning stood in start contrast to the loving tribute Israelis have paid to their slain leader in

the country's streets. A mural of Mr. Rabin was

painted on a wall above the square and at least 10,000 white memorial candles were lit at the site of the shooting. Graffiti scrawled on the walls said "Rabin, we miss yoo" and "Rabin, you left us orphaned."

The Amir family, meanwhile, begged forgiveness from Mr. Rabin's widow and the people of Israel.

"A great calamity has befallen us and the people of Israel with the assassination of Prime Mioister Yitzhak Rabin, may his memory be blessed, hy our son," the family wrote in a letter pinned to their frontyard fence

in the town of Herzliya. "We ask the forgiveness of Mrs. Rabin, her family and all of Israel."

Mrs. Rabin said earlier that she would consider any such apology too little, too

The parents, Shlomo Amir and Geula Amir, have put up a tarpaulin in an attempt to block passersby on the street from seeing their two-storey house with a red-tile roof. The letter of apology is

attached to the tarp. A group of police and agents of the Shin Bet security agency went into the house Wednesday and later exited without comment.

Assad seeks moves – Rifkind

whole of Jerusalem as its capital, urges foreign dignitaries to avoid visits to the Orient House that could be seen as backing Palestinian claims to the eastern sector.

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A British consulate spokesman in Jerusalem explained Mr. Rifkind's regional tour was rearranged because of the assassination of Mr. Rabin last Saturday in Tel

The secretary, along with Prime Minister John Major, attended the state funeral of Mr. Rabin in Jerusalem on Monday and already met Mr.

Mr. Rifkind is to go ahead Thursday with a visit to the self-ruled Gaza Strip for talks with Mr. Arafat. He is to announce aid projects for the Palestinian National Authority and inaugurate a new British Council centre in Gaza

The secretary flies out from Tel Aviv later the same day to travel on to Jordan, Egypt and Lebanon. In Damascus Mr. Rifkind

said there was an opportunity for making "major progress" in the Middle East. "I think there is a deter-

mination in Israel to continue

Peres assures Arafat

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ings," he added.

held in January.

towns of Nablus and Bethlebem. The British Crown Agents have been given the EU coocontinuously where registration will take place. They will tract for sorting out practical have complete freedom of details such as renting offices, movement in all proceed-

Mr. Blackley added. Two further groups are due to arrive before the vote, 134 Elections to an 82-member on Jan. 2 and 100 on Jan. 15.

self-rule council are due to be Palestinians aeross the Apart from the Ramallah West Bank, Gaza Strip and headquarters, the EU obser-East Jerusalem will take part in the poll, which will also vers will also have offices in elect at the same time a presithe self-rule Gaza Strip and Jericho, and the West Bank

the peace process," Mr. Rif-kind told reporters before beading for talks with Mr. Assad and other senior Syrian officials.

"This is a very important moment in the bistory of the region and I am particularly looking forward to hear the Syrian perspective of the ituation in the Middle East," he said.

Once President Ezer Weiz-

form a new government. That process is not ex-

ary Schmuel Hollander said. formally forming a new govemment, he is the head of what Israeli law defines as an "interim government."

gitimate - and therefore, elections in November 1996.

The foreign secretary said Britain believed "there is an opportunity for a very major progress for peace."

Before his meeting with Mr. Assad, Rifkind met with Mr. Sharaa and discussed developments in the peace process and ways to reinforce hilateral relations, officials

Labour rules out early elections

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man gives the go-ahead, Mr. Peres will have six weeks to

pected to start until Sunday, when the traditional sevenday mourning period ends for Mr. Rabin, Cabinet Secret-Until Mr. Peres succeeds io

Ao interim government can do everything that a regu-lar government does, including proceeding with the peace process, Mr. Hollander said.

But over the long term, an widely seen as politically ille-

would probably have difficulty implementing controver-

sial policies. Mr. Hollander added that the interim government has the advantage of being im-

mune to no-confidence motions in parliament. Mr. Weizman could ask any member of parliament to try and form a new government, but he is expected to

choose Mr. Peres. Mr. Peres will have three weeks to form a coalition government, with up to three weeks of extensions, If for some reason he cannot form a government — which is not expected to happen - Mr. Weizman would assign the task to another parliament

member. Uoless Mr. Peres calls earinterim government would be .ly elections, his interim government could serve until

Alarm bells ringing for Palestinian economy — Arafat

CAIRO (AFP) - PLO leader Yasser Arafat on Tuesday raised the alarm over the deteriorating economic situation in the Palestinian selfrule areas.

"I am addressing you with a cry for help. Donor countries have only given us a very small amount of what they pledged to provide." Mr. Arafat told 80 Palestinian businessmen at a conference in Cairo.

. "Donor countries promised us aid to help the Palestinian people recover from the ruins of the Israeli occupation and rebuild their infrastructure, so they could then concentrate on consolidating stability and security." he

Israel had sealed off the Gaza Strip and West Bank for security reasons for a total 224 days since self-rule was launched in Gaza and Jericho

in May 1994, he said. The closures cost the Palestinians \$6 mittion a day by preventing people from getting to their jobs in Israel and stopping the flow of goods, he said.

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM

(AFP) — Israeli businessmen

urged their new leader Shi-

mon Peres Wednesday to

guarantee political stability

and press on with the peace

process to protect an unpre-

cedented boom in foreign in-

Bosses fear that the assas-

sination of Prime Minister

Yitzhak Rabin has dealt a

severe blow to the image of

Israel has been trying to forge

abroad for the past three

"The foreign businessmen with whom I have talked

were stunned, they could not understand how such a thing could happen bere," said Zvi

Amit, the director of the

Chambers of Commerce

ceived as a risky country, just

as we bad succeeded in get-

ting rid of that reputation

over the past years," he

For Israel the stakes are

huge. Since the launch of the

peace process in 1993, it has

managed to attract numerous

multinationals to the country

which stayed away before be-

added.

"We are once agaion per-

Unemployment stood at 58 per cent of the active popula-tion, he added. "Development and the creation of new jobs is one of our people's

"It is impossible to talk about regional economic projects without emphasising the importance of resolving the economic problems of the Palestinians caused by the (Israeli) occupation. he

Mr. Arafat urged Palestinian businessmen to invest in the self-rule areas, promising to give them guarantees and cut red tape.

The businessmen were attending a conference on the reconstruction of the Palestinian territories which was organised by the Arab

League chief Esmat Abdul Meguid said he hoped the forum would identify the obstacles to development and come up with ways to overcome them and encourage Arab private investment.

Israeli business urges stability

to protect foreign investment

cause of the Arab boycott.

Foreign investment is due to reach a record \$1.2 billion

this year, and last month the

U.S. information technology company Intel said it would invest a billion dollars in the

next three years to build a factory in southern Israel.

Other groups which have arrived in the past months

include Germany's car manu-

facturer Volkswagen, the

British telecommunications company Cable and Wireless,

and the French hotel group

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off of the peace process,"

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\$40 million.

Mr. Peres said last week be-

in winning the trust of the

business world and opened

the doors to the whole

world," said Michael Strauss,

director of Strauss, a major

Israeli food chain, in which

the British-Dutch company

Unilever has just invested

But Dov Lautman.

appointed last year by Mr.

Rabin as a special envoy to

mobilise foreign business-

men, was more optimistic.

Yitzhak Rabin succeeded

"These investments consti-

The conference was to continue unol Thursday.

Depending on how the

Japan seen wary of yen's falls on banking woes

TOKYO (R) — Japan, once aggressive in its attempts to rein in the mighty yen, now seems worried about sharper fatls in the currency because of mounting global market concerns about the nation's banking system. economists

"There is some hesitation among policymakers about calling loudly for a further reversal (of the dollar) if the yen's further fall reflects growing worries about Japan's banking system." a government economist said.

the Group of Seven nations to a continued reversal of the But its monetary author-

welcomed a commitment by

covery against the yen as a result of banking problems. analysts said. The dollar may climb to 106 or 107 yen, but a rise above 110 yen will raise questions about whether such an

buying intervention. economy, they said. They said Bank of Japan The dollar closed in Tokyo

government handles the nalar will not lose ground easition's bad loan problems, an ly, because worries about unexpected fall in the yen Japan's banking system were may occur." said Hiroshi discouraging currency traders from aggressively holding yen Yamamura, chief economist at NLI Research Institute.

"They (monetary author-The dollar rose as high as ities) should be concerned 104.05 yen on Monday in about potential risks of a Tokyo, compared with a level sharp decline in the yen as a of around 100 yen in early result of the worsening fears about the Japan's bad loan The goal of monetary auproblems, which may eventhorities now appeared to be

to promote corporate capital tually have an adverse effect on the economy," said Susuinvestment by having a stable mu Takahashi, senior ecodollar/yen rate at around curnomist at Japan Research Inrent levels, analysts said. They said a further Mounting worries about the banking system may prompt a stock market deweakening of the yen would undermine ongoing com-pany efforts to shift produc-

> Currency dealers said market concerns about Japan's banking problems appeared to have subsided somewhat after intensifying on last week's news that troubled Daiwan Bank Ltd had been ordered to shut down its U.S. operations.

tin overseas to reduce costs.

than on pushing the dollar up artificially through dollar-But although those concerns have subsided recently. the dollar may shoot up to 110 yen if any big financial problem sufraces," said Noriyuki Takano, vice president at Chase Manhattan

Yeltsin names new central bank chief

MOSCOW (AFP) — President Boris Yeltsin fired his tough reformist interim centrat bank chairwoman Tatyana Paramonova and named a new interim chairman Wednesday, the Kremlin said in a statement.

The Kremlin appeared to hope its new choice. Alexander Khandruyev, would have a better chance of winning confirmation in the State Duma, the lower house of parliament, than Ms. Paramonova, who was named in October 1994 but never confirmed.

But Western experts said Mr. Khandruyev was unlikely to follow in the monetarist footsteps of Mr. Paramonova, whose strict regulatory. policies were opposed by the commercial banks and the

Mr. Khandruyev's belief in tight monetary policy and stable currency rates "is tiny," said one Western exсіпу," pert, who asked not to be Yeltsin economics adviser

Alexander Livshits said: "1 think Khandruyev is an experienced person who has good contacts with the legislative branch." "Now it's up to the Duma

to decide," he was quoted as saying by Echo Moscow Mr. Khandruyev, 50, met

with Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin immediately after being named interim chairman, the central bank Mr. Khandruyev headed

the committee on economie reform at the end of the Soviet Union, working alongside Grigory Yavlinsky, among other prominent free market reformers, the central bank said.

The following year, following the collapse of the Soviet Union, he became deputy

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chairman of the Russian Federation's central bank.

Ms. Paramonova, 45, was named interim chairwoman and Mr. Khandruyev, firset deputy chairman after Mr. Yeltsin fired Viktor Gerashchenko as chairman in the wake of "Black Tuesday" in October last year, when the rouble fell by 21 per cent in a

But Ms. Paramonova, the first woman to hold the post, was repeatedly turned down the Duma despite Mr. Yeltsin's firm backing, partly because of Russia's macho political hierarchy, but mainly because of her rigorous

She didn't act demurely enough as a female and she's taken a tough line on banks. said a Western economic expert. "She sees her job as promoting a stable currency, not defending the interests of the banking sector."

Mr. Khandruyev "blows with the wind. He's not a dinosaur and he's not directly beholden to the banking system," the expert said. "But if he turns out to be as much a Rock of Gibraltar as Paramonova I'd be very pleasantly surprised.

Alexander Sagryadski, an analyst at the Association of Russian Banks, said Mr. Khandruyev's nomination as interim rather than full chairman was not welcomed by the commercial banks because it did not create stabil-

"The central bank must have a permanent leader because the central bank... is an independent body, autonomous from the govern-ment," he said. There was no guarantee

that Mr. Yeltsin would quickly submit Mr. Khandruyev before the Duma, rather than keep him on as interim chairman, economists said.

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

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MOON CHILDREN: (June 22 to July 21) Get your books of account more streamlined so that they will be easier to handle, then later today study into new

LEO: (July 22 to August 21) Get agreements wound up in the morning today with partners and then get right to activities on your side of the matters.

VIRGO: (August 22 to September 22) Labours should be very easy to handle in the morning today, then you can confer with outside partners and plan the future better.

LIBRA: (September 23 to October 22) Show more cooperation for your mate and get good results, then get right to the activities ahead of you and accomplish a good

SCORPIO: (October 23 to November 21) Even if you are out in business today, it is well to keep your mind on home and family, then later tonight yoo can enjoy amusements with loved ones. SAGITTARIUS: (November

22 to December 21) Get communications acknowledged in a covel way during the morning today and then later tonight handle family matters CAPRICORN: (December 22) to January 20) Study your property for needed improve-

ments and then later today study pamphlets, brochures which can give you good ideas. AQUARIUS: (January 21 to February 19) You bave fine

ideas for making progress and should follow your own inclinations at this time. Improve all your practical

PISCES: (February 20 to March 20) Come to right decision about future benefits early in the day today and then take any bealth treatments you may need.

Birthstone of November: Topaz - Tiger's Eye

FORECAST FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1995

ARIES: (March 21 to April 19) Get busy at duties of a personal or business nature and get much accomplished today. Then later carry through with promises you

TAURUS: (April 20 to May 20) You had better make a note of what you want your friends to do for you today so that you will not forget them and you can get much accomplished.

GEMINI: (May 21 to June 21) You have fine ideas for the days ahead, but you have to get right down to specifics if you are to put them in operation.

MOON CHILDREN: (June 22 to July 21) This is a good day today to handle credit and civic affairs. Plan that trip you have in mind and count the cost as well.

LEO: (July 22 to August 21). If you take your mate for granted today, you will have to pay for the privilege later on tonight. Be more attentive then ever.

VIRGO: (August 22 to September 22) Listening to ideas of outside associates today will help you to understand the overall picture very well for a new project now.

LIBRA:-(September 23 to Octo-ber 22) You are addicted to neatness and punctuality and can apply such to whatever your in-terests are at this time for you to be successful.

career activities you are doing today and gain greater benefits for the future ahead.

AQUARIUS: (January 21 to February 19) Study how to make

20) Have discussions with outside allies today and come to a fine meeting of minds, Greater progress is possible for you in the future.

Tiger's Eye

Just a month ago. Japan

ities have turned cautious since the dollar's recent re-

exchange rate is good for the

at around 103 yen on Wednesday

"The presence on Monday of dozens of beads of state

and government at the funer-

al of Yitzhak Rabin showed

that the world is ready to

continue to give us a chance," he said,

He said Mr. Peres had to

fulfill two conditions at all

costs: Achieve political sta-

bility and carry on with the

The barometer of the busi-

ness world, the Tel Aviv

Stock Exchange, went into shock falling 3.3 per cent on Sunday, the day after the

But it recovered on Mon-day and Toesday, making up

all of the lost ground. Mr. Peres also bas several

assets. Head of government from 1984 to 1986, and theo

finance minister, be brought

galloping inflation to below

20 per cent from 450 per ceot

also rosy, with estimated real

growth due to reach 6.8 per

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this year, while tourists are

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economy, he said.

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in Bahrain MANAMA (AFP) — Bahrain received \$500 mil-"The total revenue earned was \$500 million, which is a lion from tourism last year; very promising figure and will almost four times than in increase in the coming 1993, officials said in remarks years," Sheikh Khalifa Ibn Abdallah Khalifa, a tourism

Tourism booms

published Wednesday. The Arab Gulf archipelago department official, said. is now launching a worldwide Bahrain earned \$130 milcampaign to boost tourism lion from tourism in 1993. revenue to \$800 million by Sheikh Khalifa said most the year 2000, the officials tourists only made short stotold the English-language povers but that officials newspaper Gulf Daily News. would try to encourage them

A total of 2,582,895 tourto stay longer. Citizens of the five other ists visited Bahrain, accounting for more than half of the Gulf states - Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia five million tourists recorded and the United Arab Emiin all six Arab Gulf countries. A total of 649,493 of the rates - visit Bahrain often as visitors to Bahraio were from Gulf, nationals do not need outside the Gulf. visas each other's countries.

By Glasbergen

but all you can do is find fault!"

THE BETTER HALF,

"I'm walking two miles every day-

THE Daily Crossword by Gerald R. Ferguson

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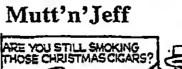
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Jordan to connect electricity network with East Jerusalem

1997, the minister of energy and mineral 600 fils a kilogramme in the coming few days resources, Samih Darwzeh, told a press meet- (Al Aswaq) ing. The minister said Jordan had agreed to a Palestinian request to support electricity to Projects needing investments the Palestinian areas and to help set up an

from Iraq. dispose ouclear and radioactive waste at are: Suwaqa. He said that 40 local industries in rials used for peaceful purpose and, as such, negatively affect the lives of people and the environment. Other users of these materials are hospitals and doctors. Mr. Darwazeh said the buildings to be set up at Shafa Badran will million capital and 185 jobs; comprise laboratories and offices for the — 18 in engineering industries carrying JD management of the International Atomic 9.2 million capital and offering 502 jobs; Energy Agency while the dump site at Suwa-qa will be built of concrete.

Another topic covered by the minister was ues; the increase in electrical consumption which was growing at a 12 per cent annual rate. He total capital of JD 7.5 million and 268 jobs; was growing at a 12 per cent annual rate. He said, there was no intention at present to raise electricity charges although studies are being 2.7 million. Number of jobs 121; conducted to increase the charges in the 15 in food industries, capital JD 4 future oo industries and on households with million. Number of jobs 126; rate of consumptioo.

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currently laying down studies to provide gas to bouses, industries and companies via underground pipes. "The Jordanian citizen will enjoy this accomplishment after seven years," he pointed out (Al Dustour + Al

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is selling at 650 fils to 700 fils a kilogramme at private poultry sbops, nearly 150 fils below the official price set by Ministry of Supply Sources at the Ministry of Agriculture said ** TECHNICAL STUDIES will begin most poultry farms have dumped their chickshortly on connecting East Jerusalem to the en into the market as winter approached. As Jordanian electrical network on part of the such, the market is oversupplied beyond the support that Jordan will provide to the consumption level. The volume of chicken put Palestioian National Authority. The tender on the market is more than 900,000 chickeo, for the project is expected to be awarded in and farmers expect the price to go as low as

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Mr. Darwazeh said Japanese experts are million. Number of jobs 400. 15 in medical supplies, capital JD 9.6

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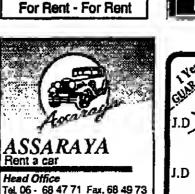




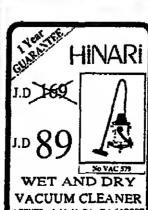
















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PARIS (AFP) — The French
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foreign competition to stage Rome: Boston, Massachusetts; Osaka, Japan; National Olympic Committee Tuesday chose the northeastern city of Lille as its candidate for the 2004 Summer Games.

Lille, which unveiled a 8.1 billion franc (1.7 billion dollar) provisional budget, was chosen 15-13 in a secrer ballot of committee members over Lyon in the southeast which had also wanted to stage the money-spinning games.

Mayor Pierre Mauroy. a former French prime minister, said that France should now reunite behind his city to ensure that they beat tough

The International Olympic Committee (IOC) deadline for bids is January 10 and the IOC will fix a short-list of four or five sites by April 1. 1997. A host city will be announced on September 7.

The next two Olympics will be held in Arlanta, Georgia next year and in Sydney.

Australia in the year 2000. Other venues interested in staging the 2004 games are: Cape Town. South Africa: Istanbul, Turkey; St. Peter-burg, Russia; Seville, Spain;

Buenos Aires: Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, San Juan, Puerto Rico and Stockholm.

The Chinese Olympic Committee said last month they may propose the south-ern city of Guangzhou and not Beijing, which was beaten to the 2000 Games in

France has previously staged two Summer Olympics

— Paris in 1900 and 1924—
and three Winter Olympics — Chamonix in 1924, Grenoble in 1968 and Albertville in

Ivanisevic upset in Kremlin Cup

straight-sets loss to unseeded Shuzo Matsuoka in the opening round of the Kremlin Cup tennis tournament Tuesday. ending his hopes of making the ATP Championships.

"Today 1 was just a piece of garbage," said the second-seeded Croat, whose recent slump has dropped him to No. 9 in the world rankings.

Ivanisevic had been bartling Thomas Enqvist for the eighth ranking and final qualifying spot in the year-end ATP tour world championships, beginning Nov. 14 in Frankfurt, Germany. He

MOSCOW (AP) — Goran came to Moscow needing a win and an early exit by the win and an early exit by the Swede at this week's tournament in Stocholm.

But this booming serve failed him against Matsuoka of Japan, and numerous unforced errors contributed to a 7-6 (7-5) 6-4 upset.

Ivanisevic said he liked the fast surface in Moscow's indoor Olympic stadium but lost his confidence long ago. blaming that partly on a

change in coaches.
The 28-year-old Matsuoka, Japan's top player, came to Moscow ranked just 62nd in the world. He will face Carl Uwe-Steeb of Germany in the second round.

Two other seeds joined Ivanisevic on the list of firstround upsets. Karol Kucera of Slovakia defeated No. 5 Jan Siemerink of the Netherlands, 4-6, 7-5, and Russia's Andrei Olhovskiy downed No. 7 Renzo Furlan of Italy, 7-6 (7-3), 6-3.

Third-seeded Marc Rosser of Switzerland eliminated the tournament's only remaining American, Jeff Tarango, 7-6 (7-5). 7-6 (7-2).

Defending champion and No. 6 seed Alexander Volkov of Russia, a notorious slow starter in tournaments, rallied to beat Lionel Roux of France 4-6. 7-6 (7-3), 6-0.



THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (UNDP) AND

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GLASGOW (AFP) - Jailed Scotland and Everton foorballer Duncan Ferguson has thanked Everton fans for their support during what he describes as "the most difficult period of my life." Speaking to the Liverpool Echo from his prison cell. Ferguson said: "I have been overwhelmed by the fantastic support I have received from Everton fans everywhere. "It has helped keep my spirits up and I feel it is important to tell people just how much those messages have helped lift my spirits," he added. The striker also revealed he has been keeping in touch with Everton's results and said: "I have a radio and wait anxiously to hear our results. I did not realise just how much I would miss

U.N. sets record

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United Nations broke its own record Tuesday, with an unprecedented 161 countries backing a resolution on building peace through sport. The 185-member General Assembly approved the resolution without a vote. It calls for a truce during the Olympics and cooperation between the United Nations and the International Olympic Committee in promoting peace and equality. On Monday, U.S. gold medal gymnast Bart Conner said that breaking the record in sponsorship would be "truly an Olympic feat of the first order." Conner won two gold medals in the 1994 Olympics. The previous U.N. record was set in 1990, when 158 nations backed a resolution admitting the African state of Namibia into the United Nations.

Camacho defeats Danny Chavez

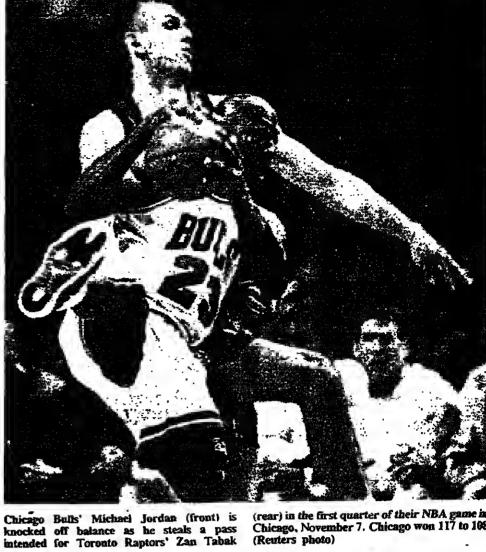
CHESTER. West Virginia (AP) — Hector Camacho, capitalising on his jab and foot speed, won his 13th straight bout Tuesday night with a unanimous decision over Danny Chavez in a 10-round welterweight fight. Camacho, 33, was awarded every round but one on the three judges scorecards at mountaineer racetrack and gaming resort. He won by scores of 100-90 and 99-91. Camacho used his jab in the first three rounds to keep Chavez away, before getting more aggressive with body shots. He kept Chavez of balance throughout, adoptly avoiding combinations. Camacho of Orlando, Florida, last fost in January 1994 to International Boxing Federation welterweight champion Felix Trinidad. Camacho is now 57-3 with 27 knockouts and holds the welterweight title of the fringe International Boxing Council. Chavez, 29, of Petaluma, California, drops to 25-6-1 with 11 knockouts.

Graf struggles on in silence

PHILADELPHIA (AFP) - World number one Steffi Graf refused to answer questions on her private life here on Tuesday after struggling to a second round 2-6, 6-4, 6-2 win over American Amy Frazier at the Philadelphia WTA tournament. "I've got a week and a balf of tennis left this year, so can we just talk about tennis," said the 26-yearold. A recent article in German magazine Der Spiegel claimed Graf was often beaten by her father Peter, who is currently in prison facing tax evasion charges after the players' finances were investigated. Graf has been beaten just once io 40 games this season.

Leeds confident of landing Brolin

LONDON (R) - English Premier League side Leeds will open talks on Thursday with Italina club Parma in a bid to agree a fee for Sweden striker Tomas Broilin, Heipassed a medical at Leeds' headquarters on Tuesday before return-ing to Sweden to consider the move. Brolin, who has not played for the joint serie a leaders this season after breaking his ankle, has already rejected offers from three rival Italian clubs. Leeds believe Brolin and Ghanian Tony Yeboah could form an exciting international strikforce. Brolim firs shot to prominence in the 1990 World Cup finals in Italy and was then iostrumental in Sweden's progress to the semifinals of the 1992 European Championship finals.



Chicago, November 7. Chicago won 117 to 108 (Reuters photo)

Suns rally to defeat Knicks Nets 104, Trail Blazers 84: In

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Jersey, Armon Gilliam

scored 16 points and grabbed

It rebounds and New! sey used an early burst to unfeat

With reserves Vern Flem-

ing and Jayson Williams sparking the offense, the

Nets went on a 22-6 burst to turn a four-point deficit into a

35-23 lead. New Jersey also held the Trail Blazers score-

less for a stretch of 5:11 in the

opening period during the

Cliff Robinson led Port-land with 24 points, while

James Robinson added 13.

Kings, 109, 76ers 106: In

Philadelphia Mitch Rich-

mond scored 23 points and

Tyrone Corbin hit two crucial

free throws as Sacramento

defeated Philadelphia to re-

Portland.

NEW YORK (AP) - Wayman Tisdale scored 10 of Phoenix's first 13 points of the fourth quarter and finished with 18 as the Suns rallied to defeat the New York Knicks 102-94 Tuesday

With the victory, the Suns avoided starting the season 0-3 for the first time since 1985-86, when they got off to an 0-9 beginning.
In coach Don Nelson's

Garden debut, the Knicks led by as many as 13 points in the third quarter, but got off to a bad shooting start in the final period against a big Phoenix lineup of Tisdale, Charles Barkley and A.C. Green in the frontcourt.

Tisdale's fifth field goal of the period put the Sons ahead 83-82 with 7:28 to play. After Charles Smith tied it with a free throw, Barkley, who finished with 27 points, made a series of strong plays to

secure the Suns' victory. Patrick Ewing led the Knicks with 25 points, but missed five of six shors in the final quarter,

main unbeaten. Walt Williams added 22 points for Sacramento (3-0), while rookie Jerry Stackhouse had a season-high 34 points for Philadelphia.

The Kings took a 101-92 lead on two free throws by Richmond with 3:13 to play, but Philadelphia pulled to 103-100 with 1:34 to go. Two foul shots by Williams made it 105-100, and after the 76ers pulled to 105-104. Sarunas Marciulionis and Corbin each sank two free throws around Shawn Bradley's layup. Hornets 108, Pistons 96: In Charlotte, North Carolina,

Dell Curry scored 18 of his 27 points in the final 15 minutes as Charlotte posted its 11th consecutive win over Detroit. Detroit, under new coach

Doug Collins, is off to an 0-3 start for the first time since 1480. The Pistons led 60-53 early in the third quarter before Charlotre went on a 19-5 run and outscored Detroit 28-17 in the period. Larry Johnson had 22

points and 10 rebounds and Khalid Reeves 16 points and eight assists for Charlotte. Otis Thorpe led Detroit with 24 points and Terry Mills added 20. Pacers 104, Cavaliers 101: In

Cleveland. Reggie Miller scored 25 points and Antonio Davis sank two clinching free throws with 19.6 seconds left in Indiana's victory over. Cleveland. Cleveland played without starting forward Tyrone Hill.

who was in a car accident on the way to the game and was taken to a hospital for evaluation. The Cavs had no immediate word on his condi-Also missing from the Cicveland lineup was Chris

Mills, suspended for one game for fighting with Miami's Predrag Danilovic. The Pacers improved to 3-0 for the first time since 1989 and for only the second time in their NBA history. The Cavaliers, winless in three games this season, lost their fourth consecutive home opener.

Ricky Pierce scored 22 points off the bench for Indi-Timberwolves 93, Lakers 92;

In Minneapolis, Sean Rooks' made one of two free throws with 15.5 seconds left as Minnesota's first win of the season came in its home opener. Rookie Kevin Garnett,

just five months out of high school, also helped spark the Wolves from an I1-point third-quarter deficit. He had eight points, five rebounds and three steals in 26 mil mutes, his longest outing, and his defense ignited a 7-0 run that gave Minnesota 74-68 lead heading into the final

Cedric Ceballows led Los

Tuesday's aftendance of 14,756 was the smallest for a Wolves' home opener. The loss was the seventh-straight regular-season road loss for the Lakers.

Bulls 117, Raptors 108: In Chicago, Michael Jordan scored eight points in a late 15-0 run and Chicago went 3-0 for the first time since the 1987-88 season by beating Toronto.

Jordan, finishing with 38 points, hit three jumpers and a pair of free throws in the deciding sport that gave Chicago a 113-100 lead with three minures left.

Scottie Pippen added 26 points and Dennis Rodman had 11 points and 13 rebounds for the Chicago. Willie Anderson led the expansion Raptors with 23 points and Damon Stouda-

mire added 22 to go with 10. assists and six rebounds. Mavericks 99. Grizzlies 88: In Dallas, Jason Kidd's 15: points and a great effort by the Dallas bench made the Mavericks 3-0 for the first time in Franchise history, while sending Vancouver to

its first Franchise loss. The Grizzlies trailed by six points after one quarter, 13 at halftime and 19 after three quarters. The deficit hit 20 early in the fourth quarter.

Jamal Mashburn led Dallas
with 16 points, while Vancouver was led by Benoit Benjamin with 16 points and reserve Darrick Martin with 15 points and seven assists.

Rockets 106, Bucks 89: In Houston, Hakeem Olajuwon scored 26 points and Clyde Drexler added 26 points and 12 rebounds as Houston remained unbeaten.

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officer of Christofle Company, Maurizio Borletti. Tuesday inaugurated a new wing at Abu Shaqra Trading Company's Bayader Wadi Seer branch, with display of exquisite tableware. In 1995, on the eve of the

twenty-first century, there are only a few companies of international renown in France which have sue-. ceeded in handing down a corporate culture, a tradition, a skill, and heritage through six generations of the same family: Christofle is one such company. The founder Charles Christofle was born in 1805 and Maurizio Borletti, the cur-, rent chief executive officer of Société Christofle, was

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ture generations would use the term "Christofle" to simply designate silverpiate. The turn of the century

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Karlsruhe knock Dortmund Season's out of German Cup

BONN (R) — German League leaders Borussia Dortmund crashed out of the quarter-finals of the German Cup after a 3-1 defeat at bome by Karlsruhe on Tues-

Well-taken goals from South African Sean Dundee and libero Jens Nowotny in the 26th and 59th minutes and a 74th-minute penalty from German international Thomas Haessler clinched an upset victory for Karlsruhe.

Reigning champions Dortmund, who scored a consolation goal from national team Libero Matthias Sammer in the 65th minute, played the last quarter of the match with 10 men after German international Steffen Freund was

Kaiserslautern needed an extra time goal to sink retional league side Homburg while Fortuna Duesseldorf clinched their place in the last four with a 1-0 defeat of second division Nurem-

Courier,

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STOCKHOLM (AP) -

Jim Courier led a parade of

Americans into the second

round of the \$825,000

Stockholm Open tennis

Returning to the Royal

tennis hall, where he made

his big breakthrough seven

years ago, Courier pum-

meled Michael Tebbut of

Australia 6-0, 6-2 in 55

"This is the best fall I've

had during my carrer," said

the seventh-ranked Amer-

ican, who has won four

titles this year. A two-time French Open champion,

Courier was ranked No. 1

May and generally in the

last few months. Last

week, Courier qualified for

Championship in Frank-

play, more eager than be-fore, and I think that is

reflected in my game," he

He also welcomed the

move of the Stockholm

Open tournament from the

globe arena, where the

tournament has been play-

ed for the last six years,

back to the old site, noting:

globe arena was too sterile.

The old place is much more

Courier had just turned

pro when, at the age of 18,

he reached the semifinal of

the 1988 Stockholm Open,

then one of the world's

biggest indoor tourna-

On Tuesday, fellow American Todd Martin had

a tougher ride into the second round, losing the

first set to Martin Damm of

the Czech Republic in a tiebreaker after winning

the first three games.

However, the sixth-seeded

American surged back to

win 6-7 (4-7), 6-3, 6-3. Richey Reneberg defe-

ated Mark Woodforde 6-2.

7-5, while the other half of

the top, Australian doubles

team, Todd Woodbridge,

defeated Sweden's Magnus

Gustafsson 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.

The Swede fought off four

match points before falling.

In the only upset of the day, Oliver Delaitre of

France onsted seventh-

seeded Dutchman Paul

Haarhuis 6-2, 7-6 (7-3).

In a late singles match, third-seeded Richard Kra-

jicek of the Netberlands

downed Britain's Greg

Rusedski 7-6 (7-3), 5-7, 7

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Bayer Leverkusen earned their place in the last four last week when they beat parttimers Altmar Stendal after a penalty shoot-out.

Dortmund laid on most of the early pressure on a cold and damp night but went behind when Haessler floated what looked like a harmless freekiek into the penalty area. Dortmund goalkeeper Stefan Klos was unable to stop Dundee getting his head to the ball to give the visitors a 1-0 halftime lead.

Dortmund looked determined to bounce back after the interval. But it was not long before Nowomy made a clever run to beat their offside trap and slot the ball inside the left-hand post.

Sammer's individual effort narrowed the Karlsruhe lead to 2-1. Two minutes after Freund had left the field in the 72nd minute for his second poor tackle of the Bundesliga this season.

game, Haessler made sure of

"Of course I'm disappointed because we had enough chances to make the semifinals," Dortmund coach Ottmar Hitzfeld said, "But we didn't deserve to win because we made too many mistakes in attack."

Kaiserslautern also finished their tie with 10 men after substitute Bernd Hollerbach was sent off in extra time for a foul. But Horst Siegl got the winner three minutes before the end after the two teams had been level at 3-3 after 90 minutes.

A 56th-minute goal from former Dortmund and German international veteran Frank Mill put Fortuna Duesseldorf into the semifinals for the 12th time.

The 37-year-old Mill's shot from a narrow angle brought a rare triumph to the club who have been struggling in the relegation zone in the

the standings with 153 points followed by last year's winner Bashar Bustami with 125 and Marouf Abu Samra with 114.

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By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — Autosports fans only have two more events before the 1995 season concludes with the National Rally scheduled for Dec. 8.

This weekend, the Royal Automobile Club of Jordan (RACJ) has organised the year's final rally tour sponsored by Akram Ramadan.

The two-leg rally tour will start from RACJ headquarters Friday at 9:30 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. The official results will be

announced Saturday.
The country's top drivers. are expected to participate as the event counts towards the 1995 Jordan Drivers'

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Ahmad Al Daoud leads

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Martin, 32, who can still be brilliant on his day, did not mince words after his victory. "I was terrible," he said,

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fruitful day for Australia, the number one seeds in next week's World Team Cup in

Australia's second seed Rodney Eyles, fourth seed Brett Martin and world number 21 Craig Rowland all won, adding to eighth seed Anthony Hill's win on Mon-

Qualifier Dan Jenson is Australia's only casualty so far, but he did give England's fifth seed Simon Parke a tough time before bowing out

Mark Cairns. Rowland, the fourthranked Australian in their World Cup team next week in Cairo, raced to a 2-0 lead against lefthander Walker

hampton - the same town as tennis legend Rod Laver lost three consecutive points

the world, beat England's 11th seed Stephen Meads 15-

England's Mark Chaloner beat 16th seed Philip Whitlock, last season's England captain, 15-10, 15-10, 15-12. From 6-9 down in the first

Hunt claims Khan not unbeatable

NICOSIA (AFP) - Australian manager Geoff Hunt. hoping for an Australian upset win over world champion Jansher Khan at the 1995 men's World Open squash

champion and eight-time British Open winner, said: "If Brett Martin and Rodney Eyles play each other in the semi-final, one of them would be guaranteed a crack at Jansher Khan, assuming he

world champion has not lost since the Welsh Classic in early 1994 - he was unconvinced Khan was invincible.

Hunt added everybody

on Monday.
.Meanwhile it was a miserable day for English seeds as four went out - 11th seed Stephen Meads, sixth seed Chris Walker, 16th seed Phi-

to concede the game.

Geoff Hunt, made amends in the fourth as he cruised to an 11-5 lead before winning it 15-7 to set up a second round clash with South Africa's Craig Van Der Wath.

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ehampionships, said Wednes-day: "He's only human."

Hunt, l a four-time world gets through.

"Jansher may be a great player, but he has to lose sometime. It would be great if an Australian could do it."

Though Hunt conceded Khan was a strong favourite - the 26-year-old six-time

thought Jahangir Khan was

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and was two points from vic-tory in the third as he led

But Rowland, from Rock-

However, Rowland, wbo trains under the wing of

Van Der Wath, just 61st in

game, Chaloner won eight

Argentinian soccer star Diego Maradona waves to students before delivering his lecture at the Oxford Union (AFP photo) Maradona rebuilds tarnished image

OXFORD (AP) - Oxford University has soldom had a

guest speaker like Diego Armando Maradona.
"We've had Reagan and Gorbachev here, and he out-did them both," said Rabbi Shmuel Boteach, director of the Jewish student group L'Chaim Society.

The students showed him a kind of edulation I haven't seen before," the Rahbi added. Gorhaches got the restrained academic adulation, hut not the gung-ho thing we saw with Maradona. They were clearly in love with

The student group - which regularly invites politicians and artists to speak and debate in the storied Oxford Union - offered Maradona the forum to address about 1,000 students and about 150 journalists.

"We had about 78 news organisations represented, far above what we've had here in recent memory," Rabbi Boteach said.

The 35-year-old midfielder, disgraced twice for drugrelated suspensions from soccer, lapped up the chance. Notoriously unreliable, he arrived 50 minutes late - tied up in traffic to Oxford after a Concorde flight to London. "A football player in my country is regarded as a know-nothing," Maradona told reporters, "So it was important for me to be here and show we're not as ignorant

as they say we are." Maradona, who began his second career comeback last month with the Argentine club Boca Juniors, used the historic debating chamber to promote his latest idea — a

He lashed out at FIFA — the governing body of world soccer - and suggested they were behind his two 15-month But that's not what the students came for. "I was hoping there would be something more interest-

ing than his speech." said 18-year-old student Clare Dixon. A student tossed Maradona a golf ball and he foot-

juggled it. Then he balanced a soccer hall on his forehead, The applause thundered both times.

"Just being in the same room with him was unbelievable. he's the best player in the last 20 years," said Tom Ewing. enother 18-year-old student. Seated beside him at the podium were his two young

daughters, dressed in party dresses, and his wife, Claudia, who sat in the audience and eventually joined him, too, "I've seen leaders, some very famous people have come through here and I've never seen them bring their children." Rabbi Boteach said, "Maybe it's because families are closer in Latin America. But that impressed

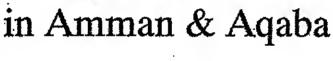
"He struck me as a great father and husband, at least from what I saw of him," he added. "There was a very earthy quality to him.

"It was pointed out to me that the mistakes he's made, he's never meant to hurt anybody, the only person's he's

Maradona, a street kid who grew up in a Buenos Aires slum, seemed sincerely moved by the event. "It's been very emotional... it's not often a soccer player can face so many people so rich in culture and education." he said, donning a cap and gown and holding an honorary

diploma presented to him by Oxford's lord mayor. "Master inspirer of Oxford dreamers," the diploma

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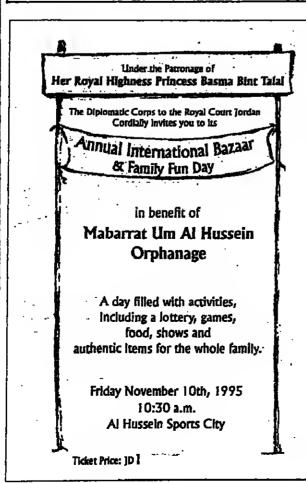




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Asked what the prospects

of peace in Bosnia were after

multinational peacekeeping

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The U.S. report David Rohde, detained by the Bos-

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David Rohde from the cri-

minal charges," according to Pale radio, monitored in

It was not initially clear if this meant Mr. Robde would

Mr. Rohde had been held

prisoner in Bijeljina, a town

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(Bosnian Serb leader) Radovan Karadzic decided today (Wednesday) to re-

American journalist

The United States and Russia agreen Wednesday to allow Russian troops to participate in international peacekeeping in post-war Bosnia without being under direct North Atlantic Treaty Organisarion (NATO) command.

Russian Defence Minister Pavel Grachev annoonced the agreement after meeting at NATO headquarters with U.S. Defence Secretary William Perry.

Mir. Grachev said NATO's supreme commander in Europe. General George Joulwan, an American, "will will give orders to the Russian forces." Mr. Grachev and Mr. William Perry said political control of NATO operation had yet to be work-

Russia would contribute i.000-1.500 troops to the 60,000-strong peacekeeping force. Mr. Grachev said.

The U.S.-Russia accord has now to be approved by the other NATO allies, hut this is not expected to raise

In Washington, visiting Montenegro Prime Minister Mil Djukanovic predicted that the Balkan peace talks near Dayton. Ohio, could end with an agreement on Sosnia by the end of the

Mr. Djukanovic told re-corters that his prediction was based on a telephone conversation with Mon-tenegrin President Momir Bulatovic, who is a member of the joint Serbian delegation in Dayton.

He told me that negotiations are being done in a constructive number and that he expects that they should be ended by the end of this week." Mr. Djukanovic said

He added, however, that since bis arrest on Oct. 28. the peace talks that began He was serving a 15-day sent-Nov. 1 were about to address ence on charges of "falsifyterritorial issues, such as setdocuments and "illegally" entering "Republika Srpska, the Serbs' rebel state ting the borders beween the Bosnian Serbs and a federation of Bosnian Muslims and

> The U.N. rapporteur on human rights in the former Yugoslavia, Elisabeth Rehn said continuing human rights violations in the former Yugoslavia threaten to compromise any peace agree-

"Witbout genuine improvement in the human rights situation in the former Yugoslavia, any peace agree ment will not have a solid foundation," Ms. Rehn said in her first mission report.

The former Finnish defence minister added that reffective protection of human rights in the whole region under international supervision" should be en-

Ms. Rehn, who succeeded Poland's Tadeusz Mazowiecki in September, is to report back to the U.N. General Assembly on her tour of Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina and Yugoslavia between Oct. 9 and 13.

Mr. Mazowiecki resigned in protest after the U.N. failed to make good on a pledge to protect the eastern enclave of Srebrenica. Au estimated 8,000 Muslim men are still missing, believed massacred, after the U.N.designated safe area fell on July 11. Ms. Rehn called for the

international community to set up a surveillance mechanism and said the U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights must be given the support and necessary fi-

Prince Hassan urges public and private sectors to build complementary relations

AMMAN (Petra) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan on Wednesday praised all institutions and individuals who coutributed to the success of the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) economic summit held in Amman Oct. 29-31.

At a meeting with the heads and members of the sectoral as well as government committees which took part in preparations for the summit, Prince Hassan paid tribute to the private sector volunteers who were a key factor to the success of the summit.

The Prince said prepara tions of the summit were in fact preparations to have Jordan enter a new era in its history.
The Prince said the

world's reaction to and evaluation of the summit stressed its success from all aspects, organisational, political or economic. He added that the summit was good chance to prove Jordan's potentials to the world through serious His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hasaan on Wednesday meets with representatives of official and private sector organisations who contributed to the success of the Middle East and North Africa economic summit held here last month (Photo by Boghos) efforts and a clear vision. sector in particular man-

Prince Hassan said there should be a complementary relationship between the public and private sectors in the development process, noting that the private

aged to present Jordan at the conference as a society capable of managing its

Industry and Trade Minister Ali Abul Ragheb,

who headed the summit's preparatory committee, delivered an address in which he highlighted the success of the summit as a remark-

"We came here simply be-

cause Mr. Rabin was a peace-

Rabin at his grave

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (R) — Schoolchildren, sol-diers, French marathon runners, Russian immigrants and American tourists mourned at the wreath-laden grave of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin on Wednesday, four days after a Jewish extremist gunned bim down.

They came from all over Israel and beyond to sing, pray or just weep at the grave of the soldier-turnedstatesman who led his country from war to peace with the Palestinians.

A mountain of wreaths, many bearing the simple mes-"Sbalom chaver" (farewell friend) with which U.S. President Bill Clinton paid tribute to Mr. Rabin, covered the simply earthen grave at the Mount Herzi national cemetery.

Children lit memorial candles that Flickered and faltered in the wind. A Yemenite...Jew chanted Pslams,

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prayer for the dead. Army officers, rifles slung from their shoulders, fought back tears as teenage girls bugged each other and sob-

Others intoned Kaddish, the

The other Israel, in which hardened enemies of Mr. Rabin's peace policy defaced his death notices, vandalised memorials and scrawled slogans praising his murder, seemed more than a few streets away.

"Rabin was strong enough to lead us, he was brave enough to make peace, and I was naive enough to think he didn't need us on the street to support him," said history teacher Carmela Ferber.

She said she felt guilty she did not attend the Tel Aviv peace rally at which Mr. Rahin was shot by an extreme-right Jewish student opposed to his peace policles on Saturday night.

school, carrying an star-of David flag with black streamers, sang the Israeli anthem Hatikva to the mournful accompaniment of a lone Another group of school-

Tikhon Ramle-Lod bigh

children sang the song of peace which Mr. Rabin had sung in public for the first time a few minutes before he was assassinated. As they sang, 20 runners

from France led by a former Olympic sprinter and sports minister panted to the graveside in white T-shirts and running shorts, carrying a wreath inscribed in French "Paix et Tolerance."

They had been due to take part in a U.N.-sponsored marathon for peace and tolerance on Wednesday. It was cancelled after Mr. Rahin was shot. Instead, they ran five kilometres from a sports stadium to the hilitop graveyard.

maker. Sadly, he was stopped on his path. It is our duty to demonstrate here our sup-port for peace, and for his philosophy." said former French Sports Minister Roger Bamhuc, a goodwill amhassador for the U.N. Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organisation. Marathon runner Domini-

que Chauvelier, wearing a cardboard black skullcap, said there were Muslims, Christians and Jews in the group." We want to show sport is a way of hringing people together for peace,"

At the graveside, the sound of Hebrew prayer mingled with the voices of recent immigrants speaking Russian, many of whom flocked to the Immish state flocked to the Jewish state during Mr. Rabin's three years as premier.

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had been living on govern-

ment assistance in the Ham-

mersmith district of London.

ings were announced Wednesday hours after the departure from Scotland Yard of French Magistrate

Jean-Louis Bruguiere, who

has been leading probes into

Mr. Bruguiere and aides

spent 36 hours here going

over tapped phone conversa-

tions and hank account re-

cords seized in the weekend

France has been rocked hy

eight bombings or attempted

bombings since late July that

have left seven people dead and more than 200 injured.

French authorities have

blamed Algerian militants

trying to end French support for the military-backed gov-

emment in Algiers.

raids, Scotland Yard said.

the French attacks.

The extradition proceed-

The British media said he

dead and 123 injured.

in toilet

PIETERSBURG, South Africa (AFP) - A South African teenager gave birth while she was writing an exam at her school and later dumped the child in a pit latrine, police in the country's northern province said Tuesday. The unnamed girl, realising she was about to give birth, ohtained permission to leave the exam room and rushed to the toilet where she gave birth to a baby boy before allegedly throwing him down the lattine. Other pupils heard faint cries coming from the toilet and alerted teachers. The girl was later arrested ou a charge of attempted

suicide MIAMI, Florida (AFP) -A young teenage couple who their parents wanted to separate committed suicide hy jumping into a canal, leaving a note saying they knew to other way of stay. ing together, authorities said. Police found the bodies of Maryling Flores, 13 and Christian Davila, 14, floating in the Tamiam Canal, two days after their parents declared them missing. Neither knew bow to swim. "It's a Romeo and Juliet story. This is as sad a case as you can find," said detective Ramon Quintero, who first investigated the disappearance. The young couple apparently decided to rut off together and end their lives after Maryling's parents told her she could no longer date Christian. They sent suicide notes to their parents and friends explaining their decision. "You'll never be able to

between me and Christian. feel that without him? can't live. You don't let me in see him in this world, 50 we're going to another place ... Please don't of for me, this is what I want, read Maryling's note.

Picasso's 'Le Miroir' sells for

NEW YORK (R) -- Pablo Picasso's painting "Le Miroir" doubled Christie's estimates and sold for \$20 million Tuesday night, the auction house said. "Le Miroir, a 1932 large canvas painting of Picasso's then-mistress Therese Walter, was one of 10 works hy the Spanish artist offered in the sale. Only one did not sell. Three of the four highest priced lots in the \$107 million sale of impressionist and modero paintings and

of a performer in ruffled collar and tunic with his hand draped across his chest, sold for \$12.1 million — above its \$10 million estimate. Christie's senior director of impressionist and modern works, Michael Findlay, said Picasso was one of the few artists whose works from different periods attracted entirely different huyers. The strong sales will bodewell for more Picasso works as the season's impressionist and modern sales continue at Christie's and Sotheby's over the next two days, he said. "people do like to hid when they have company," Mr. Findlay said. Picasso's "L'Independant Morte (Nature L'Eventail)" sold for \$7

Oscar Miestchantnoff reached \$9.4 million. All prices include a buyer's Girl gives birth

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murder, police told the South African Press agency.

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Group warns of increased violence

in Egypt CAIRO (AFP) - The Egypian Human Rights Organisation (EOHR) warned Wednesday of an unprecedented surge in Islamic militant violence and the recent appearance of acts of

mutilation on the victims. The group said in a report there had been an unpre-cedented increase in violent acts now taking place in the Upper Egypt governorates of Asyut, Qena and Minya."

There were 333 deaths in the three provinces between January and October this year compared to a total of 630 deaths in the previous four years, the report said. In Minya, 250 kilometres

south of Cairo, 259 people were killed since the start of the year - most by Muslim militants - almost as many as the 1994 toll of 279 for the entire country.

Outlawed armed fundementalist groups are carrying out a campaign of vio-lence to try to topple Egypt's secular government.
The EOHR report said:

"Egyptian Copts (Christians) have been a larget of deliberate killings by armed groups since this violent trend started in 1990. Twenty-four Coptic Christ-

ians have died so far this year, compared to 16 for the whole of last year, it said. The report dismissed as "totally untrue" the claim by Muslim militants that Coptic Christians collaborared with

Police are the main target of militant groups, making up 51 per ceni of the victims of armed militant groups, the

EOHR said. The rights watchdog also warned of a change in the practices of armed militant groups "with the appearance of mutilation of the bodies."

"It is striking that the armed violent groups have started, since August 1995, to multilate the bodies of their victims to intimidate the people and prove their ability to revenge," it said.

The report named two peasants who it said were beheaded after being shot dead in August and September. One of the heads was placed in a plastic hucket and tied to a lamp post.

It said armed groups were responsible for 60 per cent of the 963 killings committed in the confrontation between militants and security services in the past five years.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Hizbollah claims Israeli soldier killed

BEIRUT (AFP) — The Iranian-backed Hizbollah on Wednesday said its snipers shot and killed an Israeli soldier in the Israeli-occupied "security zone" to avenge the slaying of a Palestinian militant chief. But Israel's proxy militia, the South Lebanon Army (SLA) denied the report. "A sniper unit opened fire at an enemy soldier in Sweida (central sector) killing him at once," Hizbollah said, adding the attack was part of operations to avenge Fathi Shagari. the attack was part of operations to avenge Fathi Shaqaqi, the head of Islamic Jihad shot dead by suspected Israeli Mossad agents in Malta last month. Israeli artillery meanwhile kept up an overnight barrage on suspected circled the region firing flares.

Israeli paper apologises for 'Arafat's death' slip-up

TEL AVIV (AFP) — An Israeli newspaper apologised Wednesday for a report which referred to Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's "death" stirring little grief in self-ruled Gaza. The Jerusalem Post said the emharrassing slip-up was the result of a "most unfortunate typographical error," it said: "We regret the mistake and apologise for the anguish it may have caused our readers," the Englishlanguage daily said in issuing a correction to its report on language daily said in issuing a correction to its report on Tuesday. "Arafat's death has not been received with much grief in Gaza," said the report on how the funeral of Israel's assassinated Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin was followed by the Palestinians.

School bus driver hurt In bomb attack

TYRE (AFP) - A hus driver was seriously wounded Wednesday when a bomb exploded as be opened the door of his mini-bus hut schoolchildren walking towards the vehicle were unharmed, police reported. Nayef Fayad, 34, was wounded in the face and body by shrapnel, police said, adding that the bomh weighed about 15 kilogrammes. The meident occurred in the town of Jwaya, near the southern

Lebanese officials head for talks with EU

BEIRUT (R) — Lebanese officials flew to Brussels on Wednesday for talks with the European Union (EU) on a so-called "partnership pact" to replace a 1977 cooperation agreement. Foreign Ministry Secretary-General Zafer Al Hassan, who headed the Lebanese delegation, said the talks will include financial cooperation and banking. transport, tourism, insurance, industry, agriculture and environment. Drugs eradication will also be discussed, Mr. Hassan told reporters at Beirut airport.

11 people wounded in train attack in southern Egypt

CAIRO (AP) - After a luli of seven months, suspected Muslim extremists raked a passenger train with gunfire in southern Egypt, wounding at least 11 people, police said Wednesday. The attack comes as tourism bas revived in Egypt after two lackluster years. Tourism Ministry officials have been predicting that more than three million foreigners will arrive this year, setting a record. The incident, which occurred shortly after midnight Tuesday, was the first reported since March 22, when militants climbed aboard a tourist train in the south, killing three civilians and two police guards. Police said that in the latest incident, the train was headed north to Cairo from Luxor when it came under fire near the village of Farshout in Qena province, 470 kilometres south of Cairo.

British soldiers folled in legal move

LARNACA (AFP) — Three British soldiers accused of killing Danish tour guide Louise Jensen have failed to convince a court that they were unlawfully and unconstitu-. tionally arrested by Cypnot police. Larnace assise court on Wednesday strongly rejected claims by Alan Ford, 27, Jeff Pernell, 23, and Justin Fowler, 27, that they were illegally stopped and arrested at a police roadblock on Sept. 12 last year. The court's decision comes as a severe blow to the defence, which argued that vital prosecution evidence gathered hy police following the arrest should be excluded from the trial, including the soldiers' hloodstained clothing and an army shovel allegedly used to hludgeon Jensen to

Britain to extradite Paris suspect

LONDON (AFP) — Hours after the departure of a French anti-terrorist magis
lawfully conspired with others to cause by an explosion absentia hy Algeria for an attack at Algiers airport in

PARIS (AFP) - A French court Wednesday ordered British Airways to pay more than 25 million francs (\$5 milliou) compensation to French passengers taken hos-tage by Iraq while on a B.A. flight into Kuwait City at the

start of the Gulf war. The court, ruling on a civil action brought by a group of 65 passengers, said the airline had "total responsibility" for the scizure of the passengers and their subsequent use as "human shields" by Iraqi

leader Saddam Hussein. It ordered the airline to pay 400,000 francs (about \$80,000) to hostages held for one month, 600,000 francs to those held for three months, and 60,000 francs to family

The 65 French people were among 364 passengers on board the plane, flying from London to Kuaia Lumpur. British passengers have already taken similar legal action in Britain.

The hostages had alleged in particular that British Airway knew the invasion of Kuwait had begun on Aug. 2, 1990, and that the flight was used to land a group of SAS, commandos in Kuwait — an allegation denied by British

Judge Pierre Renard-Payen said that these allega-tions "cannot he legally

Bnt be found against B.A. because, although nothing could have been done about the bostage-taking once it was under way, the whole event was "highly predict-

able." "The financial and territorial demands by Iraq on Kuwait were well known... the movements of troops towards the border with Kuwait had become clear... the situation was particularly alarming on Aug. 1, 1990," he added. "The invasion of Kuwait

by Iraq appeared highly pre-dictable," he said, ruling that B.A. had "seriously failed in its obligations and must be condemned to compensate... the whole of the detrimental

Ms. Ferber's students from

trate, Britisb authorities Wednesday moved to extradite to France an Algerian arrested here last weekend in connection with a wave of French bomb attacks.

The Home Office identified him as Rachid Ramda, 26, an alias for Abdul Kader Benouis, also known as Abu

Scotland Yard said Ramda, unemployed and with no fixed address, was in custody at London's Paddington Green police station and would appear before a court Thursday morning for an ex-

tradition hearing.

He was one of five persons arrested under the Prevention of Terrorism Act (PTA) in raids in Islamic fundamentalist cricles here on the weekend.

Ramda was "released from PTA custody and rearrested and charged as follows," said "Between 25 July and 7

November (of 1995) he un-

KABUL (Agency) — A rocket barrage by Taliban re-

bels left two people wounded

here Wednesday, hut the

front-lines around the

Afghan capital were calm ex-

cept for some sporadic shell-

Seven rockets landed near

the runway of Kabul airport, closed for more than two

weeks since a bout of pre-

vious shelling, and two land-ed near the presidential palace, slightly injuring two

people, hospital sources and

The Afghan government

accused Taliban militiamen

besieging the city for the past

month of launching the mid-

A barrage of rockets on the

capital on Tuesday left at

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AFP meanwhile that their

lines were quiet aside from

what has become a daily

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"We haven't moved for a

month." said tank comman-

der Mubarak Shah as Taliban

fighters perched in nearby-

witnesses said.

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of a nature likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property in France. France on Tuesday had

issued an international arrest warrant for Abdul Kader Benouis, alleging he masterminded a wave of bombings in France over the past three months.

The warrant cited his alleged role in an Oct. 6 bombing at the Maison Blanche metro station in Paris that left 13 people injured. The French press has re-

ported that Benouis was beieved to have provided funding for French-based units carrying our the terrorist attacks, which began with a July 25 bomb blast at Saint Michel station in Paris which killed seven and injured 90.

French officials allege he was a member of the Armed Islamic Group, which has claimed responsibility for bombings in France.

A veteran of the war in Afghanistan, Benouis was

Rockets land in Kabul; front quite hills let loose a salvo of BM-12 rockets at his position.
"The Talibans tried an

> pushed them back," he said while crouched in a small crawispace dug underneath his Soviet-made T-55 tank. "They shoot at us, we shoot at them," he added as shells crashed into the earth less than 100 metres from his sand-bagged tank.

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Taliban rebels have been besieging the capital since early October in a bid to topple the nearly three-year-old government of President Burhanuddin Rabhani.

The Talihans, who have seized control of much of the country in the past year, have vowed to oust the Tajik-dominated Rahbani administration and impose Islamic law throughout Afghanistan. A previous hid hy the Taliat the front in Argandeh, a village some 20 kilometres southwest of Kabul, told hans to capture the capital

was repulsed in March. The "student militia" is made up mainly of members of Afghanistan's Pashtun majority from the south of the country.

They are opposed hy the forces of Ahmad Shah Masood, the former defence minister and hero of the auti-Soviet resistance.

A U.N. envoy said Wednesday the Security Council may vote later this month to close its mission in Afghanistan if peace efforts for the country continue to prove unsuccessful.

in the face of ongoing fighting, U.N. envoy Mahmoud Mestiri said he was temporarily suspending his latest peace initiative in Afghanistan to allow the rival factions time to discuss their own peace proposals.

Speaking to reporters in Kabul after meeting with President Burhanuddin Rabhani. Mr. Mestiri said he would wait to see if talks between the rival leaders led to a ceasefire. "What makes me patient is

that they are talking to each other," Mr. Mestiri said. He said representatives from various warring factions were meeting in the southern city of Kandahar, the strongold of the Talibans.

The Talihans, however, have refused even to discuss a cease-fire until Mr. Rabbani resigns from office.

Mr. Mestiri's comments came one day after Mr. Rab-bami renewed his offer to resign only after a ceasefire was reached.

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